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Story Of Undelivered Message!

Armaments Overshadow British Budget

630 MILLIONS FOR THIS YEAR'S PROGRAMME

Simon On Need For Legislation For Incorporating Indo-British Trade Agreement

LONDON: April 25.

The House of Commons was crowded and there was an air of keen expectancy, when the House re-assembled to hear Sir John Simon's Budget speech.

Many earlier questions were inaudible owing to the excited hum of conversation.

Sir John Simon received loud cheers on rising.

He reminded the House that the late Mr. Gladstone in the first of his thirteen Budgets had to provide for a grand total of 53 millions. To-day, the Budget was 20 times that of Gladstone's of 1853, when Gladstone proposed to abolish the Incometax.

Sir John Simon's opening remarks were obviously designed to put the House in good humour for details yet to come.

Sir John Simon called attention to the fact that the Revenue estimated to produce nearly 944 millions, in fact, totalled 927 millions. This was 17-1/2 millions less than the estimate, but nearly 55 millions more than the Revenue of last year.

THE GROSS TOTAL FOR THE DEFENCE EXPENDITURE OF ALL KINDS LAST YEAR WAS ALMOST EXACTLY 400 MILLIONS.

THE TOTAL BUDGET FIGURES AMOUNT TO THE TERRIFIC SUM OF 1,285 MILLIONS.

THE REVENUE IS ESTIMATED AT 942-1/2 MILLIONS. BUT TO THIS HAS TO BE ADDED THE AMOUNTS TO BE MET BY BORROWING, ESTIMATED AT 342-1/2 MILLIONS.

THIS PART OF THE SUM WILL BE SPENT ON DEFENCE AND DOES NOT TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION ANY ADDITIONAL AMOUNTS, WHICH MAY BE AUTHORISED BY SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES.

Dealing with the revenue prospects, Sir John Simon said that he estimated the various yields on the existing basis of taxation. The total estimated expenditure on the existing basis of taxation was 918 millions. 223 millions were available towards meeting this year's Defence Expenditure compared with the original estimate of 230 millions to be met from revenue. But the original figure of 580 millions for defence this year—350 from loan and 230 from revenue—had risen to the region of 630 millions for defence in all its aspects, and might well be more. The whole difference should not be met by loan, and there must be additional taxation.

Twenty-four millions of the difference would be met out of revenue. The taxpayer therefore would find 942 millions, and 380 millions will be by borrowing.

TAXATION PROPOSALS

Sir John Simon announced the abolition of duty on medicine, stamp duty, reduction of Theatre Entertainments Duty. He announced an excise duty on films and plates manufactured in Britain equivalent to two-pence on the popular roll of films giving an estimated revenue of 8,00,000 sterling this year, and a million in the full year. Sir John Simon declared that there would be no increase in income-tax standard rate, and the announcement was received with cheers.

The cheers ceased, when the Chancellor announced that motor car tax was to be increased by ten shillings to 25 per horsepower from January next, as also when he announced changes in the surtax and estate duties.

As regards surtax, a surcharge of further five per cent on incomes upto £8,000 and a further ten per cent over £8,000 will be payable.

The tobacco duty will be raised from to-morrow by two shillings, to £0-11-6 per pound. The Sugar duty has been increased by one farthing per lb. from to-day.

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FETTERS FOR PROVINCES

Zetland Thanks Punjab And Bengal For Co-operation In Forging Them

"It is not surprising that in a case of an act of the length and complexity of the Government of India Act, that experience of its working should bring to life a certain number of defects calling for correction," said Lord Zetland moving the second reading of the India and Burma Amendments Bill in the House of Lords." The amendments are primarily of interest to the Governments functioning in India, and accordingly, I requested the Viceroy to submit them to the Ministries of different Provinces for their comment While the Ministers in three provinces felt themselves unable to express any opinion, I have given careful consideration to the views put forward by the Ministers in the remaining provinces, and I am glad to say that I have found it possible to give effect to some at least of the suggestions which they have made

I should like to take the opportunity of thanking them for the time and thought which they had devoted to the matter, and if it will be not thought to be invidious to make mention of particular Governments, I would express my special thanks to the Bengal Ministry for the thoroughness with which they have dealt with the various provisions of the Bill and to the Punjab Ministry for the spirit of cordial co-operation with which they have met my request for their assistance The greater number of amendments are designed to give clearer expression to what were obviously the intentions of Parliament when the act was passed or to make good the deficiencies which experience has shown to exist.

The India and Burma Amendments Bill passed the second reading in the House of Lords without division.—Reuter.

Gandhiji arriving at Birla House at Juhu, on Tuesday morning. He is accompanied by Mr. Birla, Mr. Mathuradas Tricumji, Mrs. Gandhi, Sardar Patel and Mr. K. M. Munshi.

Role Of Premiers In Congress Organisation

SUBHAS RAISES ISSUE

Voting On Pant's Resolution At Tripuri: Rajkot And Pressure On India Govt.

(FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT).

ALLAHABAD: April 25.

The position of Congress Ministers in what may be called the domestic affairs of the Congress, it is reliably understood, has been distinctly stated in the letters addressed recently by Congress Premiers to Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose in reply to the Congress President's circular letter to them, drawing their attention to an allegation that they and their colleagues canvassed for Pandit Govind Vallabh Pant's resolution at Tripuri.

Premiers And Congress Organisation

After denying emphatically the report that they and their colleagues exerted influence with the Tripuri delegates in favour of Pandit Pant's resolution, the Premiers are understood to have pointed out that Congress Ministers cannot be placed in the same category as members of the Indian Civil Service, who are bound to abstain from any part in politics.

One of the replies, it is understood, makes it clear that acceptance of office does not mean that the Congressmen concerned cease to be Congressmen in those affairs of the Congress organization, which could be called domestic. It is, therefore, claimed that they are entitled to the same privileges as other members of the organisation in every matter.

WHY BELIEVE IN RUMOURS?

One of the Premiers it is understood, has expressed almost a surprise that the Congress President should have given credence to the rumours regarding canvassing by Premiers at Tripuri What are the reasons that weigh with Mr. Bose when he says that the so-called canvassing by Ministers was responsible for the overwhelming success of Pandit Pant's resolution? This is the question on which one of the Premiers seeks enlightenment from the Congress President. The Premier in question is understood to have explained as to why the resolution moved by Pandit Govind Vallabh Pant had the support of an overwhelming majority of the delegates. He has pointed out that while the country loves Subhas "no less, it loves Gandhiji more." That is the secret of Pandit Pant's success both in the A.I.C.C. and in the open session.

The Congress President is also reported to have asked, in another circular letter, as to why the Congress Ministries did not consult him, while giving an ultimatum to the Government of India, on the Rajkot issue.

SUBHAS' CONTENTION.

Mr. Bose is understood to have stated that if the matter had been referred to him, he would certainly have favoured any move which would bring the maximum pressure on the Government of India. In view of this, he seems to feel that he was deliberately ignored.

A PREMIER'S REPLY.

Replying to this, one of the Premiers it is understood, states that though his Ministry did not address any communication to the Government of India, he (the Premier), in his individual and unofficial capacity put the maximum pressure because he was of opinion that political pressure in effective form would be impossible if one like him did not act promptly.

NO NEED TO CONSULT ANY.

The reply further request Mr. Bose to dispel the doubt lurking in his (Mr. Bose's) mind that the Premiers consulted some one else on the Rajkot issue, ignoring the Congress President. The Premier seems to have pointed out that there was nothing to consult anyone about.

MAHATMA LEAVES FOR CALCUTTA

Stampede For Darshan At Dadar Station

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Accompanied by Mrs. Kasturba and Mr. Piyarelal, his Secretary, Mahatma Gandhi left for Calcutta by mail this evening, after ten hours' halt in Bombay. There was a record crowd at the Victoria Terminus though the Congress House had taken care to see that the innumerable telephone calls in the course of the day, enquiring about Mahatmaji's departure, had been answered in a set sentence:—"Nothing is known".

STAMPEDE AT DADAR

Hundreds of citizens waited at Dadar station expecting, as in the morning that Mahatmaji would board the train there. There was a stampede towards the compartment occupied by Gandhiji as the train steamed into the Dadar station.

AT VICTORIA TERMINUS

Gandhiji who arrived at the Victoria Terminus fairly in advance of the mail's departure time was seen conversing with Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel for several minutes. Among those who were present at the station were Mr. Shankerrao Deo, the Hon. Mr. M. M. Pakvasa, the Hon. Mr K. M. Munshi, Mr. Shankerlal Banker, Mr. Nagindas Master, Mr. S. A. Brelvi, Mr. Mathradas Tricumji, Miss Maniben Patel, Miss Mradula Sarabhai and Mr. S. K. Patil.

MAHATMA'S HEALTH

Prior to his departure, Mahatma Gandhi was examined at Juhu by the Hon. Dr Gilder. Gandhiji is slightly weaker than when he left for Rajkot and has also been suffering from acute cold. He has, therefore, been on fruitarian diet with a view to avoid any attack of fever.

HAD REST AT JUHU

Gandhiji had perfect rest for over three hours after his arrival at Juhu. He attended to some correspondence in the afternoon.

Britain's Warning And Assurance To Hitler

HENDERSON UNABLE TO MEET RIBBENTROP

Roosevelt Gives New Proof Of His Attitude Towards Dictators

THE HUGE PROVISION FOR ARMAMENTS THIS YEAR IN THE BRITISH BUDGET IS PROOF THAT BRITAIN IS OUT TO MAKE UP FOR PAST ARREARS. THIS MAY BE A TELLING FACTOR IN HER NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE NAZIS.

Interest in European situation is centred in the forthcoming interview between Sir Nevile Henderson and Herr Von Ribbentrop, though no time has yet been fixed for the same.

THE BRITISH AMBASSADOR IS REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN CHARGED WITH WARNING GERMANY THAT BRITAIN WILL RESIST FURTHER AGGRESSION, AND AT THE SAME TIME, WITH GIVING AN ASSURANCE THAT NO 'ENCIRCLEMENT OF GERMANY' IS CONTEMPLATED.

Apart from war preparations, every nation is asking for emergency powers to deal with the situation. The new Belgian Cabinet has asked for special powers for assuring 'economic and financial recovery.'

THE DEFENSE OF GIBRALTAR HAS BEEN STRENGTHENED BY THE PROVISION OF ADDITIONAL ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNS.

MR. ROOSEVELT IS NOT SITTING QUIET AFTER HIS "PEACE GESTURE" TO HITLER. HE HAS REFUSED TO RECOGNISE GERMAN AND ITALIAN ACTION IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND ALBANIA

As a visible proof of this, he proposes to invite the Czechoslovak and Albanian Ministers to attend the White House reception in honour of the King and Queen of England.

SIR NEVILE'S MISSION

Warning And Assurance To Germany

LONDON, April 25.

Sir Nevile Henderson is expected to see Herr Von Ribbentrop to-day. It is generally assumed, says the Reuters diplomatic correspondent that he will take the opportunity for stressing certain fundamental points of the British policy, including the determination that any further aggression must be resisted.

The Ambassador may well point out that the British policy remains a policy of peace, but at the same time, it is held essential that the dangers inherent in the recent events should be brought to an end.

Sir Nevile is at the same time expected to make absolutely clear to Herr Von Ribbentrop, that in no circumstances is an encirclement of Germany intended.

NO INTERVIEW TAKES PLACE

BERLIN, April 25.

The interview, which Sir Nevile Henderson was expected to have to-day with Herr Von Ribbentrop did not take place. It was explained that Herr Von Ribbentrop's engagements did not permit of the meeting. No arrangement has been made for an interview at a subsequent time.—Reuter.

NOT BEARER OF ANY MESSAGE?

BERLIN: April 25.

If, as has been suggested, Sir Nevile Henderson has a message to deliver to the German Government, there is at the moment, no knowing when he will be able to deliver it.

German official quarters, however, emphatically discount the idea that Sir Nevile Henderson is the bearer of any message. They base their attitude on Mr. Chamberlain's statement that the Ambassador is returning in normal course of events after leave.

"The Hamburger Fremdenblatt" comments: "Judging from its Press, London is in much greater hurry than Berlin to renew threads of conversations with Berlin." Newspapers ridicule the idea that British conscription would impress Berlin.

"The Angriff" says we are completely indifferent about the manner in which Britain organises her Defence.

"The Allgemeine Zeitung" writes Britain must be made, if she thinks that she will move Germany by warnings or threats.

Herr Von Ribbentrop met Markovitch at the airport. His engagements will last beyond the time of Herr Hitler's speech on Friday.—Reuter.

HITLER'S SPEECH ON FRIDAY

Shops And Factories To Be Closed For 90 Minutes To Let Workers Listen

BERLIN, April 25.

It is officially announced that the Reichstag will open at 11-00 a. m. G.M.T. on April 28. Herr Hitler will speak soon after.

Her Hitler's speech on Friday will be broadcast. All factories and shops will be closed for 90 minutes from noon to enable the workers to listen. Children must also listen.

ROOSEVELT MEANS IT

No Recognition Of Dictators

WASHINGTON: April 25.

It is learned that the Department of State is including the Czechoslovak Minister M. Hurban and the Albanian Minister, M. Konitza, among those invited to attend a special White House Reception to the King and Queen in June.

These prospective invitations are regarded in diplomatic circles as a further indication of the refusal of the United States to recognise German and Italian action in Cze-

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BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

An Ordinary Monthly Meeting of the Corporation will be held in the Municipal Office on Thursday, the 4th May 1939, at 3 p.m. (Bombay Time), for the consideration of the following business:—

1-2. Appointment of three, two and four representatives of the Corporation, respectively, on the Boards of Management of the (1) Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute; (2) Nowrosji Wadia Maternity Hospital; and (3) Bai Jerbai Wadia Hospital for Children.

4. (a) Letter from the Registrar, University of Bombay—Regarding the election of the Corporation's representative on the Senate of the University of Bombay; (b) election of a representative on the Senate

5. Interpellations.

6. Application for gratuity from the widow of a deceased Municipal employee.

7. Letter from Mr. Mistry Abdul Satar—Regarding attendance, etc., of teachers in a Municipal Urdu School at Dharavi.

8. Letter from Mr. Byramji Nusserwanji Elavia—Regarding the difficulty experienced in getting school leaving certificates for his children.

9-14. Letters from the authorities of the (9) Maharashtra Mitra Mandal; (10) Bombay Institution for Deaf Mutes; (11) Nowrosji Wadia Maternity Hospital; (12) Bai Jerbai Wadia Hospital for Children; (13) Laxmi Narayan Vyayamshala; and (14) Y. M. C. A.—Forwarding annual reports, etc., of their respective institutions.

Resolutions of the Standing Committee—

15. Regarding the sale of the right of quarrying the Hill given to the Bombay Christian Burial Board at Sewri.

16. Regarding the authority given to Mr. H. B. Shivdasani, Deputy Municipal Commissioner (Improvements), to sign cheques drawn against Municipal Funds.

17. Regarding the conversion of the post of Havildar into that of a Jamadar in the Schools Committee's Office.

18. Forwarding a list of letters from the ex-Municipal Auditors and the Municipal Chief Auditor pending disposal by the Committee.

19. Statements of Budget transfers sanctioned finally by the Committee.

Resolutions of the Improvements Committee—

20. Regarding cutting of the access to certain private properties along the Vakola Pipe Line Road.

21. Regarding amendment of the Building Rules so as to permit sitting out places being converted into bed rooms, etc.

Resolutions of the Special Committees—

22. Regarding the reservation of a site as a Children's playground in the locality between Portuguese Church Street and Gokhale Road, South.

23. Regarding plans and estimates for providing a recreation ground at Mutton Street.

24. Schools Committee's letter —Forwarding quarterly report of the Progress of Free and Compulsory Education in F and G Wards.

Letters from the Commissioner—

25. Forwarding quarterly statements regarding the cleansing of drains and sewers in the City.

26-28. Reporting on applications for gratuity, etc., from retired scavenging women, etc.

29. Forwarding the Analytical and Bacteriological Reports on the Bombay Water Supply.

30. Forwarding quarterly statement showing the quantity of water brought into the City from various lakes, etc.

31. Regarding assignment of the lease of certain plots in Dadar-Matunga Estate.

32. For varying the rule regarding the height of ground floor of a school building in Nowroji Hill Estate.

33. Regarding condonation of a breach of a Building Rule in respect of a building at Mahomedally Road.

34. Forwarding half-yearly report of the work done in the Municipal Laboratory.

35. Regarding encroachment on the compulsory open space of certain plots in Hornby Road Estate.

36. Forwarding a list showing the breeding places of malaria carrier mosquitoes.

37. Regarding application for lease of a plot in Sydenham Road Estate.

38. Government communication—Confirming the Bye-Laws regarding the taking of census of school-going age children in the City.

39. Letter from the Principal and Secretary, Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute—Forwarding the annual statement showing the attendance of members at the Board meetings during 1938-39.

40. Letter from Mr. Sultan M. Chinoy—Thanking the Corporation for their Resolution appreciating his services as the Mayor for the year 1938-39.

41. Letter from Capt. Jos. Alban D'Souza, I. M. S.—Applying for leave of absence from meetings of the Corporation.

42. Report of the Committee of the Corporation regarding the question of giving financial help to outside institutions.

43. Schools Committee's letters —Forwarding printed copies of the Committee's Proceedings.

Notices of Motions—

44. From Mr. D. V. Pradhan—For appointing a Committee to suggest re-arrangement of sitting accommodation in the Corporation Hall.

45-46. From Mr. K. H. Goregaoker—For (45) obtaining Counsel's opinion regarding the legality of including the amount of Urban Immovable Property Tax in the Municipal Property Tax Bills: and (46) amending the Municipal Act so as to remove the ambiguity caused in assessing the rateable value of properties containing machinery, etc.

47. From Mr. M. N. Talpade, seconded by Mr. M. V. Donde—For providing one room in every Municipal Chawl for use as a library and class room for adults.

48. From Mr. S. S. Mirajkar—For adopting Standard Time for Municipal purposes.

49-50. From Mr. M. R. Masani —For improving the status, etc., of (49) temporary; and (50) lower-paid employees.

51-52. From Mr. Mancherji E. Joshi—For (51) providing a urinal near the Tilak Bridge on the side of the Hindu Colony and Vincent Square; and (52) raising the height of a platform of the G. I. P. Railway Dadar Station.

53. From Dr. J. N. Choksy—For paying the minimum wage of Rs. 25 per month to all women employees of the Corporation.

54-56. From Mr. K. H. Goregaoker—For (54) voting a grant to the Provincial Board of Adult Education; (55) obtaining a report on the competence of the Schools Committee to grant maximum salary of his grade to a Drawing Teacher, and (56) requesting the Commissioner to expedite his report on the question of taking securities from employees handling or receiving Municipal money.

57-63. From Mr. Fateh Mohamed Haji Ramzan—For (57-58) requiring owners of properties in Ward No. 12 to (57) provide certain amenities to their tenants; (58) cover up the open channels; (59-63) requesting the Commissioner to (59) disinfect mosquito breeding places in Ward No. 12; (60-63) submit proposals for renaming (60) Sandhurst Road from Golpitha to eastward as "Shaukat Ali Road" (61) portion of Church Gate Street between Mahatma Gandhi Road and Queen's Road as "Brabourne Road"; (62) Love Lane as "Irfan Square"; and (63) Banian Street as 'Dastgir Street"

64-65. From Dr. Khurshed J. J. Cursetji—Regarding (64) provision of an overbridge for vehicular, etc., traffic from Queen's Road to the Marina; (65) minimising the nuisance caused by hack victorias being driven in the City listlessly in search of a fare.

66-68. From Dr. G. R. A. Sheikh —For (66) shifting the Imamwada Urdu Central Boys' School; (67) expressing regret at the death of Maulana Muhammad Irfan; and (68) payment of wages to the labour staff for Sundays.

69. From Mr. Mohanlal M. Desai—For supplying copies of the Bombay Municipal Act to Councillors.

By Order of His Worship
The Mayor,
D. V. NADKARNI,
Municipal Secretary.
Municipal Corporation Office,
Bombay, 25th April 1939.

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Public Notices

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED item rate tenders in B-2 form are invited for "Constructing Deck Girder bridges and slab drains on Baramati Sangvi Road," estimated to cost about Rs. 34,000.

2. The contract documents, drawings, specifications, schedule of quantities and conditions of contract can be seen during Office hours on any working day, at the Office of the undersigned, where tender forms can be obtained at Rs. 3 per form, upto Saturday, the 13th May, 1939.

3. Tenders endorsed for the work as above, will be received in the undersigned's Office upto 3-0 p.m. (S.T.) on Monday, the 15th May, 1939, and may be opened the same day, if possible

4. A sum of Rs. 340—as earnest money should be paid into any Government Treasury and the chalan therefor must accompany the tender, without which no tender will be considered. This amount will be forfeited, in case, after the tender is accepted, the contractor refuses to sign and complete the documents within the stated time. Otherwise the same will be returned.

5. When tendered rates are the same, preference will be given at the discretion of the accepting authority, to those, who tender for the carting of materials by vehicles having Pneumatic tyres, and who are residents of the Province of Bombay.

6. The acceptance of the tender rests with the undersigned who reserves the right to reject any or all tenders, without giving any reason for acceptance or rejection thereof.

7. No alteration in the form of the tender or in the quantities of the schedule and no additions in the shape of special stipulations shall be made without the consent of the undersigned and if this be done without authority, the tender may be rejected.

(Sd.) C. G. KALE,
Executive Engineer,
Nira Canals Division.

Central Buildings,
Poona 22nd April, 1939.

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Legal Notices

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

SUIT NO. 1346 OF 1937.

VELJI LAKHAMSEY and others ..... Plaintiffs.
vs.
KANTABAI widow of Manilal Nathubhai Joshi ... Defendant.

PURSUANT to Decree Absolute for Sale, dated 6th October, 1938, the following immovable property will be sold by Public Auction by the Commissioner of this Hon'ble Court at his Office in the Court House on FRIDAY, 28th April, 1939, at 3-30 p.m. (S.T.)

ALL that piece of land, containing an area of 1767 square yards or thereabouts, situate on and being Plot No. 385 of the Dadar Matunga Estate of the Board in the City and Island and Sub-Registration District of Bombay and bearing New Survey No. 8/832 and Cadastral Survey No. 10 (Part) Matunga Division together with buildings thereon and bearing Municipal F Ward No. 7589, Street No. 1156.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application should be made at the Office of the said Commissioner or at the Office of Messrs. MALVI RANCHODDAS & CO., Attorneys for the plaintiffs abovenamed at Yusuf Building, 3rd Floor, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay.

Dated this 17th day of March, 1939.

G. R. KHAIRAZ,
Commissioner.

(81).

Legal Notices

HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY.

INSOLVENCY NO. 88 OF 1939.

Re: VITHALDAS KALIDAS THAKKAR, of Bombay, carrying on business as dealer in Tyres, Tubes and other Motor Accessories in the name of Standard Commercial Corporation at Indira Nivas, New Bhat Wadi, Sandhurst Road and also in the name of Automobiles Stores at Tram Terminus, Opera House, Bombay: ..... A Debtor.
Ex parte: THE DUNLOP RUBBER COMPANY (India) LTD. ..... Petitioning Creditors.

On the 21st day of April, 1939, an order was made by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay in its Insolvency Jurisdiction adjudging the abovenamed Debtor an Insolvent.

Dated this 25th day of April, 1939.

S. J. RAHIMTOOLA,
Insolvency Registrar
(85)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY & INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

GEORGE VI, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Probate of the last Will & Testament of DWARKADAS HARIDAS alias DWARKADAS DAYAL, late of Bombay Bhatia Hindu Inhabitant, an Iron Merchant, who lately resided at 38 Bora Bazaar Street, within the Fort of Bombay ..... Deceased.
VRIJKOREBAI alias HIRABAI, widow of Dwarkadas Haridas alias Dwarkadas Dayal of Bombay Bhatia Hindu Inhabitant, residing at 38, Bora Bazaar Street, within the Fort of Bombay. ..... Petitioner.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings, if they think fit, before the Grant of Probate.

Witness Sir JOHN WILLIAM FISHER BEAUMONT, Knight Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid this 17th day of April in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine and in the third year of our Reign.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay

(Sd.) R. B. PATEL,
Prothonotary and Senior Master.

(Sd.) TAHIR ALI.

The 17th day of April, 1939.
MESSRS. KANGA AND CO.,
Petitioner's Attorneys.

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Auction Sales

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AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY AT KIROL NEAR GHATKOPER.

Under instructions from Messrs. Bhaishanker, Kanga and Girdharlal Attorneys for the Mortgagee Mr. Laxmidas Bhowanidas Vora and on account and at the risk of the Mortgagors Ramrukh Hathiram and ors. MESSRS. BENNETT & CO., will on MONDAY, the 15th May, 1939, at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.) sell by Public Auction on the premises as under.

All that piece of land with buildings, structures, outhouses thereon situate at Kirol near Ghatkopar admeasuring about 2,059 sq. yds. bearing Survey No. 69, Pot No. 5, 6, 0, 0, Falni 0, 0, 3, 4 Area 7½, 5½, 2, 1 Guntha. Assessment 0-11-0, 0-6-0, 0-1-0, 0-1-0, and bounded on the East by Public Road, West by property of Prayagji Narayan and anr. South by the property of Bhagwandas Mulchand and North by the property of Fatehchand Rawalchand.

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COTTAGE INDUSTRIES IN BARODA

Government Support For Stimulation

BARODA, April 25.

The importance of marketing and an assurance of support for the stimulation of cottage industries from his Government were referred to by His Highness the Maharaja of Baroda while declaring open the Cottage Industries Exhibition at Baroda this morning before a large gathering. The Exhibition, it will be recalled, is the first of its kind in the State and has been organised as part of the Coronation celebrations.

His Highness observed: "As you all know, the Cottage Industries Institute is associated with the Diamond Jubilee of my revered grandfather, and was his gift to his people. His late Highness always attached the greatest importance to the introduction and spread of cottage industries in the State. Under his direction, systematic efforts were made for many years to improve handloom weaving and other industries. In 1936, he felt that the time had come for co-ordinating these activities and giving them an impetus. With this object, he started the Cottage Industries Institute.

"The Institute deals with two classes of industries:—(i) those that can be taken up as whole-time occupations by men with small capital belonging to the middle class or artisan class, and (ii) those that can be taken up as subsidiary occupations by agriculturists.

CLOSEST CO-OPERATION.

"The Institute and the Kala-Bhavan will work in the closest co-operation and follow a unified programme for the achievement of the objects in view. The work done can be grouped under four heads:—(i) research and experiment, (ii) teaching and demonstration, (iii) finance, and (iv) sales organisation.

"The Cottage Industries Institute and the Kala-Bhavan take up from time to time small industries which can be usefully introduced in the State and carry out investigations for simplifying processes etc., so that they be able to stand competition. If small industries are to be profitable, it is necessary to employ cheap power for the more mechanical operations so that the output may be increased. When experiments have shown that new industries, or improved processes in old industries are feasible, these are taught to students at these institutions and also by means of demonstrations, to people in the villages.

GOVERNMENT SCHEME FOR HELP.

As regards finance, Government have published a scheme for helping those engaged in such industries. Provision is made for grant and loans at cheap rates of interest. Lastly, if the growth of small industries is to be stimulated, it is necessary to study the marketing of finished products. The Cottage Industries Institute has organised a Sales' Room in which the products of such industries in the State are shown to bring these to the notice of prospective buyers. The co-operative movement can assist cottage industries by organising the purchase of raw materials, loans at moderate rates of interest and also the sale of finished products."
—United Press.

HIPPO KILLS A GIRL

Tragic Incident At Calcutta Zoo

CALCUTTA, April 24.

A tragic incident took place at the Zoological Gardens, Alipore to-day when the oldest resident of the Zoo, the hippopotamus, well-known for its good temper suddenly got angry and fell upon a young girl and smashed her to pieces in the presence of helpless spectators.

It is reported that the girl stretched out a branch of a tree and invited the animal to have leaves of it. But as the animal moved towards her she withdrew the branch. This enraged the animal and when the girl next time did the same thing the animal caught hold of her hand and brought her inside the enclosure and smashed her to pieces.—United Press.

PROF. SEN TO BE IMPERIAL RECORD KEEPER.

CALCUTTA, April 24.

The "United Press" understands that Prof. Surendranath Sen, Ashutosh Professor of Mediaeval and Modern Indian History at the Calcutta University has been appointed Imperial Record Keeper for India in place of Mr. Abdul Ali, who is retiring next month. Formerly the office of Record Keeper for India was in Calcutta and subsequently it had been shifted to New Delhi. United Press.

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TO-DAY ON RADIO

Bombay—I Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)

8-0 a.m. Melodies from Filmland. 8-20 News in English. 8-30 Individual Interpretation. 8-45 Geets and Ghazals. 12-30 p.m. Variety. 1-0 Market Rates. 1-10 Kesarbai Bandodker. 1-30 Music. 3-30 Records. 4-0 Ladio Ploglam. 4-15 Orchestral Melodies. 6-0 A I R Trio. 6-5 Marathi Song. 6-10 Geets with Orchestra. 6-20 R. N. Paradker. 6-30 For Bhumijan. 7-30 Commercial News 7-45 Lyric of Love 7-55 Geet in Patdeep. 8-0 to 8-15 Trusts and Charities (Gujarati). By Mantobhai K. Mehta. 8-15 Kumar Gandharv. 8-25 Shridhar Parsekar. 8-30 Sadiq Ali Akhtar. 8-40 Mohammad Umar Khan. 8-45 Kesarbai Bandodker. 9-0 News in Hindustani. 9-15 Kumar Gandharv. 9-30 News in English. 9-45 World Affairs. By H. Wickham Steed (from B. B. C.). 9-50 D. V. Paluskar. 10-25 Kesarbai Bandodker.

Bombay—II Programme

31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s)

8-0 to 9-0 a. m. and 12-30 to 2-30 p.m. As in Bombay 1. 3-30 to 4-30 As in Bombay 1.

61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

6-0 to 6-30 p.m. As in Bombay 1. 6-30 Dattatriya V. Palusker. 7-0 Gopalsing, (Guitar). 7-10 Nagesh Masute. 7-20 Sadiq Ali Akhtar. 7-30 to 9-50 As in Bombay 1. 9-50 Denzil Ludowyk: Violin Recital. 10-10 Jan Kiepura: Tenor. 10-20 A I R Symphonic Strings. 11-0 Epilogue.

Lucknow—Programme

293.5 metres (1,022 kc/s)

6 p.m. S. D. Apte of Allahabad. 6-20 Badr Shameem of Khiri. 6-40 D. Tewari. 7 For Children. 7-30 Records. 8 Bhajans. 8-15 Badr Shameem of Khiri. 8-30 Sazish (Hindustani) by Syed Imtiaz Ali Taj. 8-55 D. Tewari. 9-50 S. D. Apte of Allahabad. 10-15 Badr Shameem of Khiri. 10-35 Lucknow Radio Orchestra.

Delhi—1, 2 And 3

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)
31.3 metres (9,590 kc/s)
19.62 metres (15,290 kc/s)

8-0 a.m. As in Bombay 1. 12-30 noon to 2-30 p. m. As in Bombay 1. 6-10 Woman's World. 7-0 As in Bombay 2. 9-5 On Wings of Song. 9-50 As in Bombay 2.

Peshawar Programme

200 metres (1,500 kc/s)

7-0 p.m. Announcements in Pashto. 8-0 to 11-0 As in Delhi 1.

Lahore—Programme

276 metres (1,086 kc/s)

6 p.m. Anwarbai of Amritsar. 6-20 Siraj Ahmad. 6-30 Anand Saroop. 6-45 Roshan Lal Bhatnagar. 7 For Countryside. 7-45 Anand Saroop. 8 Anwarbai of Amritsar. 8-20 Roshan Lal Bhatnagar. 8-30 Muhammad Meer Soz. 9 Roshan Lal Bhatnagar. 9-50 Birth of State, by G.D. Sondhi. 10-5 Anwarbai of Amritsar. 10-20 Roshan Lal Bhatnagar. 10-40 Anwarbai of Amritsar.

Calcutta—I Programme

(Add 24 minutes to all timings for Calcutta time).

370.4 metres (810 kc/s).

12-30 p.m. Violin Masters. 12-50 Vocal recital. 1-10 London Palladium Orchestra. 1-30 School Broadcast. 1-50 Musical interlude. 2-5 Arts and Crafts of Ancient Bengal, by Dr. Dinesh Chandra Sen. 2-20 Three Light Songs. 4-50 Beighton Cup Hockey Tournament, by Bertie Meyer. 5-45 For Countryside. 6-30 Ritumalika. 8-5 Rangoon, Land of Pagodas (Bengali) by Probodh Sanyal. 9-10 Vocal Variety. 9-30 Talk of Town. 9-50 Frangopoulo and His Blue Harmony Boys.

Calcutta—II Programme

31.48 metres (9,530 kc/s)

12-30 to 2-30 As in Calcutta 1.

61.98 metres (4,840 kc/s)

4-50 to 10-30 As in Calcutta 1.

Madras—I Programme

211 metres (1,420 kc/s)

5 p.m. T. P. Sivasankaram Pillai: Flute. 5-30 V. M. Krishnamurthi Iyer: Vocal. 6 T. P. Siva Sankaram Pillai: Flute. 6-30 Shrimatis R. Kalpakam and Visalakshi: Vocal. 7-15 Litigation Complex (Tamil) by S. V. V. 7-30 Dwaram Venkataswamy Naidu: Violin. 9-20 Handicap of Sex, by Miss Muriel Simone. 9-35 Shrimati N. Lakshmi Ammal: Vocal.

Madras—II Programme

60.98 metres (4,920 kc/s)

5 to 6 As in Madras 1. 6 Puranakalakshepam. 6-15 Healthy Housing (Telugu). 6-30 to 9-35 As in Madras 1. 9-35 Radio Revue, 6.

B. B. C. Programme

7-30 p.m. B E C Empire Orchestra. 8-30 History of Jews. 8-45 St. James's. 9-15 Kay Laing and Vera Mainwaring. 9-30 News. 9-45 World Affairs, by H. Wickham Steed. 10 Welbeck Light Quartet. 10-25 Sports News and Market Notes.

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Mr. Bhat is already M.A., B.T. and Assistant Lecturer at the Secondary Training College Bombay. He wrote a thesis on "the Marathi Vocabulary Attainments of children between Five and Nine Years of Age" and it was accepted by the University for conferring the M. Ed. degree on him.

Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed's Transfer

(From A Correspondent).

BIJAPUR, (By Mail.)

At a meeting held here the following resolution was passed:—

"We, the members of the Muslim League, Bijapur District, Bijapur, were greatly shocked to hear of the sudden and unexpected transfer of Dr. Mukhtar Ahmad, M.A., Ph. D. Professor of History and Economics, Karnatak College, Dharwar, back to Ahmedabad, within the brief period of four months of his transfer to his present college. Whatever the reason for such a step, it also takes away from the Muslim students of the Karnatak College as well as from the Muslim public the advantage of his ennobling influence.

Dr. Mukhtar had rendered himself very popular with the general public by his urbanity, unfailing courtesy and pleasing manners and with his students by his uniform kindness and effective teaching. Under the circumstances it is to be hoped that the Hon. Mr. B. G. Kher, who has the reputation of being just and fair to all, irrespective of caste, colour or creed, will not allow this flagrant act of injustice to sully the fair name of his Administration. We fully trust that he will be graciously pleased to favourably consider our request and cancel Dr. Mukhtar's transfer.

This meeting of the members of the Muslim League, Bijapur District, Bijapur, resolves that the Hon. the Chief Minister in charge of Education be requested to cancel the transfer of Dr. Mukhtar and retain him in the Karnatak College for some considerable time to come."

ALLEGED MISAPPROPRIATION BY CLERK.

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

A clerk was arrested and placed before the Chief Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Police Court, to-day, following Police inquiries into a case in which Rs. 4,814 was suspected to have been misappropriated from the Crown Mill's Employees Co-operative Credit Society Ltd., by the employees of the Mill.

The Secretary of the Society Bapu alias Chintaman Vithal Joshi, was arrested on March 15 last on receipt of a complaint. He is now in police custody.

Further inquiries made by the Police are stated to have revealed that several loan applications, vouchers, and receipts had been forged and that false entries were made in the Society's books of account.

Somnath Arjun Patkar, a clerk, was also suspected to have misappropriated some amount and he was arrested by the Police yesterday. He was ordered to be remanded to Police custody for 15 days.

YOUTH ADMONISHED AND ACQUITTED.

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Balasaraswati Honawarkar (20), who was arrested on a charge of attempting to commit suicide by taking a dose of opium on the 11th October, 1938, was discharged to-day by Mr. K. J. Khambatta at the Girgaum Court.

It was stated that the accused had failed in the Matriculation examination and that the failure had come in the way of his securing a job.

The Magistrate having regard to the character and antecedents of the accused admonished him and discharged him.

SPEAKERS' PARTY TO MINISTERS AND PARTY LEADERS

The Hon. Mr. G. V. Mavlankar, Speaker of the Bombay Legislative Assembly and the Hon Mr. Mangaldas M. Pakwasa, President of the Council, entertained the ministers, the leaders of parties of the legislature and members of the Press Gallery Association, to dinner on Monday night.

The function was held at the Council Hall.

Among those present were: The Hon Mr B. G. Kher, the Premier, the Hon. Mr. A. B. Latthe, the Hon. Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, the Hon. Mr Morarji Desai, the Hon. Mr. M. Y. Nurie, the Hon. Mr. L. M. Patil, Mr. Jamnadas Mehta and Mr. Greeves.

Anti-War Day At Kalyan

(From A Correspondent).

Under the auspices of the Kalyan City Congress Committee a public meeting was held in the Shankarrao Park, on Sunday last under the presidentship of Sjt. R. M. Patwardhan, when Dr. G.G. Paykar spoke on the anti-war day and a resolution calling upon the Indian people not to involve themselves in any way in the event of a world war, was passed unanimously.

"Kurla Municipal Election"

The Secretary, Muslim League, Kurla, writes:—

Kurla Primary Muslim League under the guidance of the Parliamentary Committee of the Bombay Provincial Muslim League, invites applications on prescribed forms together with 'Pledge' money of Rs. 30 from Mussalman members of the above Primary League, who desire to contest the forthcoming Kurla Municipal Elections for "G" and "H" Wards, must send in their applications to the Secretary by 5 p.m. on the 30th April, 1939.

Forms of application can be had from the Secretary, Muslim League Kurla, between 5 and 10 p.m. daily.

GIRLS ROBBED OF ORNAMENTS NEAR GIRGAUM

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The story of how two girls were deprived of their ornaments while walking and how the alleged culprit was finally seen and arrested at Marine Lines, was narrated before Mr. K. J. Kambatta Presidency Magistrate, Girgaum Court, to-day.

The police stated that Atmaram Tukaram was seen following two girls walking along Pinjrapole Road with their uncle who was ahead of them. The suspect, all of a sudden, was stated to have managed to run away with the ornaments of the girls.

He was seen running away, and a constable on duty chased him and arrested him.

The accused was remanded till the 8th May.

SERANGS IN STREET BRAWL

Sequel To Starting New Union & Man's Alleged Refusal To Join It

BOMBAY: Tuesday.

Failure to align themselves with a group of Serangs on strike, was stated to be the cause of a street brawl and the firing of two "blank" shots at the corner of Frere Road adjoining Karwar Street yesterday noon.

Six persons were arrested by the Palton Road Police in this connection.

They were placed before Mr. D. N. D. Khandalawala, Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Police Court, to-day.

The names of the accused are: (1) Yar Mohommed Ahmed Khan, (2) Fakir Mohammed, (3) Sumundar Khan, (4) Fazlul Rehman, (5) Allaudin Munshi and (6) Jalal Kamiruddin.

Relating the incident in the Court, a Police Officer stated that the accused were associated with a newly formed Union of Seamen. The accused were some of those who were picketing the Government Shipping Office yesterday.

At about 1 p.m. the employees left their office for recess. One of them was Jiva Alikhan, a Ghat Serang of the Hansa Line. He was proceeded along Karwar Street towards Frere Road, on his way home. As he neared Frere Road along with other companions, he was confronted by the accused. Yar Mohommed Khan, the first accused, stopped him and hurled abuses at him for not relinquishing his work as a Ghat Serang. Then he was stated to have asked his followers to catch hold of the "black leg."

The followers thought that the signal had been given and started, it was alleged, assaulting Jiva with sticks with metal-knots. A couple of blows were rapped on his head and Jiva staggered and fell down.

Yar Mohammed was then stated to have stepped forward and whipped out a knife.

Jiva then scented danger and drew his revolver and fired two shots at his alleged assailants.

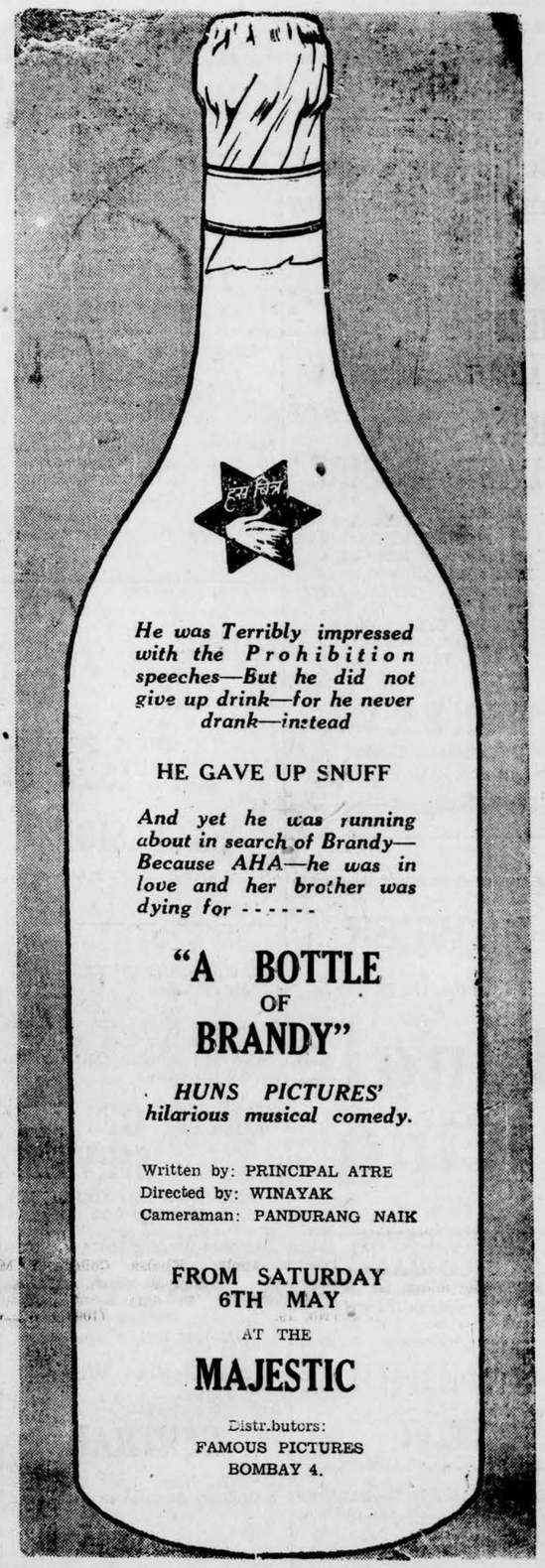
The report frightened the men, who immediately took to their heels abandoning Jiva on the road.

Police then came on the scene and removed him to the G. T. Hospital.

Inquiries made by the Police show that the revolver was a licensed one and was loaded in all its chambers with blank ammunition.

The accused were ordered to be released on a bail of Rs. 150 each or, in default, to be remanded to custody for 14 days, pending further Police inquiries.

SHIMOGA.—Mr. H. Siddiah of Shimoga, a Congress leader who stood charged with sedition has been sentenced by the Shimoga Magistrate to 18 months rigorous imprisonment and a fine. The charge related to a speech delivered at Sagar on March 31. In sentencing the accused the Magistrate observed that the language used by him was extremely in temperate.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ADHAV'S FIVE GOALS FOR DECCAN SPORTS

Singularly one-sided hockey was witnessed on the B. P. H. A. ground (Churchgate) last evening as—with the decision of two more matches—the process of elimination was pushed further in the Jepsen Cup Hockey Tournament. The local Y.M.C.A. and the Deccan Sports (Poona) both won their respective matches in a more than convincing style—the former registering 8 goals without reply against the Metropolitan "A"—and the latter as if to emulate their example—trouncing the Christchurch and Barnes Old Boys' third string to the tune of 10 goals to one. The score in each correctly indexes the relative strengths of the contesting sides.

JENKIN'S 'HAT' TRICK

In the earlier match the Y. M. C. A. combining better and displaying greater speed and stamina gave their opponents no quarter. Setting a very fast pace from the initial bully-off—which the Metropolitans found themselves unable to cope with—the young men literally swept off the former team off their feet. Jenkins their spearhead, opened the account for them, in the eighth minute, connecting a well-timed pass from Paul with a stinging first-timer which left D'Silva guessing. (1—0). Five minutes later Dyas capped a brilliant solo effort by worming himself round a host of defenders and sounding the boards with a perfectly executed chop shot. (2—0). The Y. M. C. A. were now all over their opponents, and it was only Almeida's sterling work at right anchor which prevented them from forging further ahead the sides changing ends at this score. The breather seemed to have braced up the Young Men—the marksmanship of whose forwards was now becoming increasingly accurate. The very first minute after resumption saw Jenkins run down in cavalier fashion and hook in a short tap from Duthie to register his side's third goal. (3—0) From now on the board began to be sounded at regular intervals. Scoring two goals in quick succession Jenkins went on to perform a 'hat' trick—while Duthie (1), and Paul (1) further completed the Young Men's tally.

RESULT

Y. M. C. A. (Bombay) 8 goals
Metropolitan "A" nil.

THE TEAMS:—

Y. M. C. A. (Bombay):—Sequeira, McMurran and Singh, Mulieneux, Poole and Alexander, Dyas Jenkins, Duthie and Paul.

METROPOLITAN "A":—D'Silva Almeida and Varma, Green, Alexander and Fernandez, Gracias, J. Gomes, D. Gomes, Talwar and M Ali.

UMPIRES:—Messrs. Peters and D'Souza.

ADHAV'S FIVE GOALS

Later in the evening the Deccan Sports Club (Poona) representing this year's sole upcountry challenge for the Trophy—fielding a completely reshuffled side routed the Christchurch and Barnes Old Boys' third string by ten goals to one—the game being even more hopelessly one sided than its predecessor. Gidney the Deccans' star pivot being tried out as inside-right seemed to be quite at home in his new position—scoring two of his side's spate of goals. The best display of the evening however came from Adhav—the Poona team's spear-head. Combining clever stickwork with fine anticipation he led his quintette admirably—himself scoring half of his side's ten goals—besides having put up the spade work for the others. He had of course a sound half-back line to fall back upon—P. Fitzpatrick and Shanker giving valuable support.

POONA TEAM IMPRESS

The Poona team scored five times in the first half through Adhav (2), Gidney (2) and Dasarath (1). On changing over Adhav (3), P. Fitzpatrick (1) and J. Fitzpatrick (1) completed the massacre. The losers' only goal was scored early in the second half as the result of a breakaway by Gormanlie their left-winger who took Tyalli by surprise, and having drawn Munford out of his charge scooped the ball into the extreme corner of the net. Even though pitched against mediocre opponents the Poona team had given an excellent account of themselves and a uniformly brilliant quintette—possessing such sharpshooters as Adhav and Gidney—backed up by a most dependable half-back trio ought to carry them far in the Tournament.

RESULT:—

DECCAN SPORTS (Poona) 10 goals
CHRISTCHURCH and BARNES OLD BOYS "C" 1 goal

THE TEAMS:—

DECCAN SPORTS (Poona):—Munford, Tyalli and David, Francis, P. Fitzpatrick and Shanker, J. Fitzpatrick, Gidney, Adhav, Dasarath and Nicholas.

CHRISTCHURCH and BARNES OLD BOYS "C":—Hendricks, Eagle and Molden, Edwards, Conseli and Samson, Coleman, Hearn, De'Monte and Gormanlie.

UMPIRES:—Messrs. Critchell and Toscano.

To-day's Matches

4-15 p.m.—St. Xaviers v. Dufferin.

5-30 p.m.—Chemdyes v. Christchurch and Barnes Old Boys "B".

Times Of India S. C. And Fort Rangers Draw

Both Teams Provide Poor Fare In Gossage Cup Football

The Gossage Cup Football Tournament was ushered in on Tuesday evening rather inauspiciously, a bare dozen or so of spectators being present to witness the opening match between the "Times of India" S. C. and the Fort Rangers F. C. The teams were unable to come to a decision despite extra time after each had scored once in the second half of the play, and are scheduled to conclude the arument to-day at 4-30 p.m.

The game opened in the tamest of fashions and this tameness persisted throughout the entire period of the first moiety. The Rovers made a few inroads into the 'Times'' territory, which invariably ended in feeble kicks at goal, which the 'Times'' custodian had little difficulty in clearing.

Within 5 minutes of the re-start, the Fort Rangers carried play in close proximity to the 'Times'' goal, where A. Fernandes, the latter's right-half, handled the ball, the resultant penalty being converted by Bashi with a stiff low shot. (1—0). The 'Times' equalised midway in this period through Easdon, who eluded the Rovers' goalie, after a good solo run, and toed the ball in. (1—1). The Rovers had the better of the exchanges in the remaining period as well as in the extra time, but the 'Times' goalie saved the few stiff ones that came his way until the final whistle.

TEAMS:—

TIMES OF INDIA S. C.:—Mendonca; Edwards and Silveira; A. Fernandes, Miranda and Swami; Shiva, Spiers, Easdon, Gibson, and Menezes.

FORT RANGERS F. C.:—Abdulla; Abdul and L. Mahomed; N. Mahomed, Mosein and Thakur; Bashi, Mahomed, Basudan, Anthony and Nayar.

REFEREE—Mr. F. H. Terry.

To-day's Fixtures

4-30 p.m.—Replay of 'Times of India' v. Fort Rangers F. C.

5-45 p.m.—Bombay Rovers v. Bombay Gymkhana "B".

DEATH OF CAPTAIN E. W. BALLANTINE

Former Contributor To Sports Pages Of "Bombay Chronicle"

The death took place in London on March 6 of the famous Cricket critic, Captain E. W. Ballantine, at the age of 70.

Captain Ballantine was an ardent lover of the game of Cricket and when in Bombay during the Great War years, played regularly for the Bombay Gymkhana "A" team in week-end matches.

He was a frequent contributor to the sports columns of "The Bombay Chronicle," and his articles on Cricket and Rugby Football were read with great interest by the sportsmen of Bombay.

After serving as a journalist in South Africa he became a "free lance" and travelled with the M.C.C. touring teams to Australia, South Africa and the West Indies and sent reports of the matches to various newspapers in England and India.

BOXING IN AMERICA

Winner Of Louis-Galento And Nova-Baer To Fight In Sept.

NEW YORK, April 25.

Mike Jacobs, the promoter, plans a match between the winner of Joe-Louis-Tony-Galento World Heavyweight title fight, on June 28, and the winner of Lou Nova-Max Baer fight on June 1, for the title in September.—Reuter.

JOE LOUIS OFFERED £30,000 TO FIGHT FARR

LONDON, April 25.

Sidney Hull's London promoter offered Joe Louis 30,000 sterling, free of tax to defend world heavy-weight championship against Tommy Farr in London at the end of July or early August.—Reuter.

RAILWAY TIME-TABLE

G. I. P. Railway

(IN FORCE FROM APRIL 1, 1939)

Arrivals at and Departures from Victoria Terminus.

	Arr. H.M	Dep. H.M.
Madras Mail	6 00	22 10
Peshawar Lucknow (Exp.)	6 15	23 00
Calcutta Mail (Nagpur)	7 51	17 40
Calcutta Mail (Chheoki)	9 15	20 45
Madras Express	10 15	15 00
Poona Mail	10 30	17 30
Punjab Mail	11 40	18 45
Nagpur Express	14 5	21 25
Poona Fast (Pass.)	16 50	11 30
Poona Express	19 32	8 05
Allahabad Express	20 25	7 00
*Deccan Queen	10 35	17 15
	Mon.	Fri.

*Will not run until after end of April 1939, except before and after important holidays.

B. B. & C. I. Railway

Time-table in force from April 1, 1939.

Arrivals at and Departures from Bombay Central.

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Ahmedabad Passenger	5 35	13 50
Delhi Express	6 00	22 15
Gujarat Mail	6 45	22 00
Kathiawar Mail	7 25	21 30
Frontier Mail	8 15	21 15
	(Mon	(Sat)
*The Flying Ranee Surat	9 46	15 10
The Flying Ranee, Surat	10 56	18 05
Ahmedabad Passenger	14 15	22 30
Kathiawar Express	18 45	8 45
Baroda Passenger	20 33	9 25

*If Monday is a Bank Holiday, this train will run on Tuesday.

ARRIVALS AT BALLARD PIER

	Arr.
Frontier Mail (On Saturdays only for Homeward Passengers)	8 40

AIR SERVICES

The following air mail time table is in force in Bombay:

London—Bombay (Juhu)

Planes call at Karachi, Bhuj and Ahmedabad.

Arrivals at Juhu, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 1 p.m.

Delivery: Monday (two deliveries) 8 a.m. and 3-30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 3-30 p.m.

Bombay (Juhu)—London

Planes call at Ahmedabad, Bhuj and Karachi.

Latest hours of posting at the G.P.O.:—Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday 7-30 a.m. Departures from Juhu 10-15 a.m.

Bombay (Juhu)—Colombo

Planes call at Hyderabad, Madras and Trichinopoly.

Latest hours of posting at the G.P.O.:—Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 11-30 a.m.

Departure from Juhu:—Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 7-45 a.m.

Arrivals:—Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 6-15 p.m.

Bombay—Trivandrum—Trichinopoly

Planes call at Goa, Cannanore and Trivandrum.

Departures from Juhu: Monday 8 a.m.

Arrivals at Juhu: Wesdnesday, 8-15 p.m.

Bombay—Poona—Kolhapur

Departures from Juhu: Monday, Thursday and Saturday at 7-30 a.m.

Arrivals at Juhu:—Monday, Thursday and Saturday at 12 noon.

Departures from Juhu: Monday a Thursday and Saturday at 12 noon.

Departure from Juhu 1-30 p.m.

Colombo—Bombay (Juhu)

Arrivals at Juhu: Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 9-45 a.m. Delivery: Sunday 12-30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday 1 p.m.

Bombay (via Calcutta)—Singapore and Australia

Latest hour of posting:—Monday, Tuesday and Saturday 6-30 p.m.

Australia—Bombay (via Calcutta)

Delivery: Tuesday, Wesdnesday and Saturday 6-30 p.m

Bombay (via Calcutta)—Hongkong China and Japan

Latest hour of posting: Tuesday and Saturday 6-30 p.m.

Hongkong—Bombay (via Calcutta)

Delivery: Tuesday and Saturday 1 p.m.

Bombay (Juhu)—Delhi

Planes call at Indore, Bhopal and Gwalior.

Departures from Juhu: Monday and Thursday, 6-30 a.m.

Arrivals at Juhu: Sunday and Tuesday 1-55 p.m.

Bombay—Kathiawar

Planes call at Bhavnagar, Rajkot Jamnagar and Porebunder.

Aquatics

Hillel In Scoring Mood

The Rest Trounce Otter Club In Water-Polo Match

Yet another evening of enthusiastic sport was seen at the Golwala Brothers' Victoria Swimming Bath on Tuesday. Once again the Otter Aquatic Club's touring swimmers from Ceylon opposed representatives of Bombay. Sport was keen and interesting everything contributing to a successful programme.

Ceylon for the third time had to concede that Bombay were better in the water. One event went to the Otter Club, the 220-yards Open Free Style and Frank Swan, who won it, had to put in a desperate effort to keep ahead of Mills, the Bombay man, to use racing parley Swan won by a head.

Bombay annexed the Medley Relay open to teams of three and also topped Ceylon's side of four in the Free Style Relay.

As for the Water Polo, the visitors were routed and the Rest (Bombay) beat them by seven points, the final tally being nine goals to two. During the interval of Tuesday's programme the Hon. Mr. Desai, Revenue Minister, met the members of the visiting team and on behalf of the Golwala Brothers' Victoria Swimming Bath presented them with medalions as souvenirs.

The diving display by the "Suicide Squad" of the Otter Club again earned deserved praise. They have a good set of divers: "Bill" Poulier, being the best of the batch, and he did the most in a clever exhibition.

Results:—

MEDLEY RELAY RACE.

(Breast, Back and Free Style)

Bombay (represented by P. Bharucha, Poonjiaji and MacDonald) 1; Otter Club (represented by Roshkowski, Ingleton and D'Silva) 2.

Bharucha gave Bombay the lead in the first lap, which was maintained by Poonjiaji. The last men in the water were MacDonald (Bombay) and D'Silva (Ceylon). MacDonald had to go all out to resist a strong challenge by D'Silva, who sprinted the last lap entrusted to him smartly.

220-YARDS: Open Free Style

Swan (Otter Club, Ceylon) 1; Mills (Bombay) 2; Williams (Bombay) 3.

Swan went immediately to the front, his closest rival was Williams with Mills a couple of lengths behind. This order continued till the last 40 yards when Mills came on and just failed to catch Swan. It was a struggle over the last few yards.

TWO LENGTHS (Each Man)

Free Style Relay Race

Bombay (represented by Bathena, Williams, MacDonald and Bharucha) 1; Otter Aquatic Club (represented by Schofield, Sage, D'Silva and Swan) 2.

Bathena established for the Rest (Bombay) a slight advantage. He swam against Schofield, Williams, Bombay's second man, in the water improved on this, being a stronger swimmer than Sage. Bombay was now two and a half lengths ahead. D'Silva of Ceylon reduced the margin of difference to a degree when he finished his two laps against MacDonald, Bombay's advantage was two lengths. Swan, Ceylon's last swimmer, failed to bridge the existing gulf, Bharucha was equal to him, and he maintained Bombay's two lengths' lead till the end.

WATER POLO

Not much can be said of a water-polo encounter where the closing score was 9—2. Except that the Otter Club (Ceylon) were outclassed in all departments.

The first half was a scoring story for Hillel. Hillel after bringing off a hat-trick added two more to his goal-getting credit, making the half-time score 5—0 in favour of the Rest.

Resuming Swan broke Ceylon's duck. After this Nyalchand gave the Home team their half dozen. Hillel took the total to seven, Kapadia added the eighth. Ceylon were able to get another point through Schoefield. Hillel closed his scoring record by getting the ninth point. This was this players' seventh goal.

Result:—

THE REST (Bombay) . 9 goals.
OTTER CLUB (Ceylon) 2 goals.

Teams:—

OTTER CLUB:—W. F. de Zylva; Grischa, Roshkowski and Q. Soyza; A. D'Silva, Frank Swan, B. Schoefield and F. Sage.

THE REST:—R. Marsman; J.D. Kapadia and E. Spilling; P.N. Desai; D. S. Daver, K. Nyalchand and M. Hillel.

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Sunset: 6h. 59m.

Thursday, April 27.

Municipal Corporation, 3-40 p.m.
S. S. 'Ranchi' with mails from London due at 4 p.m.

INDIAN MOTION PICTURE CONGRESS
To-day (Wednesday), at 4-30 p.m. Reception Committee meeting.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS
A question and answer meeting will be held to-day (Wednesday), at 6-15 p.m. at Jehangir Wadia Building, opposite Flora Fountain.

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CONGRESS PARTY
A meeting of the Bombay Municipal Congress Party will be held to-day (Wednesday), at 6-30 p.m. (S.T.) at the Congress House.

I. E. FILM CONFERENCE
Mr. R. P. Masani, Vice-Chancellor of the Bombay University, will inaugurate the Indian Educational Film Conference to be held on May 2, at 5-30 p.m. at the St. Xavier's College hall.
Mrs. Lilavathi Munshi will preside over the deliberations.—A.P.

NANUBHAI DESAI'S THANKS
Mr. Nanubhai Desai (auditor) expresses his thanks to all those friends, workers and particularly those voters who helped him to be returned to the Girgaum District Congress Council in the election held on 23rd inst. by their help and votes.

HYDERABAD SATYAGRAHA
Under the auspices of Hyderabad Arya Satyagraha Samiti, there will be a public meeting held to-day (Wednesday), at 6-30 p.m. in the evening at Chaupaty to welcome Pandit Vedvritji Vanprasthi the fifth Dictator of Arya Satyagraha in Hyderabad State, who will address the public.

LITERACY MEETING AT COLABA
Under the auspices of the Colaba Literacy Campaign Committee, a public meeting will be held to-day (Wednesday), at 8 p.m. near Maruthi Temple, Lower Colaba.
The Hon. Mr. M. Y. Nurie, Minister for Public Works Department, will preside and among the speakers will be Mr. S. A. Brelvi, Raja Bahadur Govindlal Shivlal Motilal, Messrs. K. B. Raut, S. H. Jhabvala and Miss. Godavari Gokhale and others. Loud Speakers will be installed.

KARNATAK ASSOCIATION
Under the joint auspices of the Karnatak Association, and the Kanara Saraswat Association a musical concert will be held in the Kanara Saraswat Association Hall, Gamdevi on Satudray the 29th instant at 9 p.m. (S.T.). Mr. Z. A. Bokhari Director, All India Radio, Bombay Station, will preside. The following ladies and gentlemen will sing. Mrs. D. Dastoor, Mrs. Manoramabai, Messrs. P. H. Shewalkar, A. G. Sarpotdar and P. V. Amberkar.

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

CAPITOL—"Tumhari Jeet" Daily at 4-45, 7-30 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Birth of Shivaji" Daily at 5, 7-30 and 10 p.m.
EDWARD—"Service Ltd." Daily at 4-45, 7-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"Going Places", Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EROS—"Ride A Crooked Mile", Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Sitara". Daily at 4-15 7 and 10 p.m.
KOHINOOR—"Brahmachari' Time as usual.
KRISHNA—"Dushman" Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Jungle King". Daily at 5-15, 7-45 and 10-15 p.m.
METRO—"Honolulu". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Daughter of Marathas". Daily at 5, 7-30 and 10 p.m.
MINERVA—"Her Last Desire" Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m
NOVELTY—"Brahmachari" Time as usual
NEW EMPIRE—"Made for Each Other," Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Mother India" Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
PALACE—"Little Miss Broadway" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PLAZA—"Maza Mulga" Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
PATHE—"Booloo" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"Keep Smiling" To-day only at 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Nav-Jeevan" Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
SILVER TALKIE—"Heel Saval" Daily at 1-45, 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
WEST END—"Devata" Daily at 4-15 7-15 and 10 p.m.

FAMINE RELIEF IN HISSAR
In response to the appeal issued by Pandit Nekiram Sharma President, Hissar Congress Relief Committee, the Marwari Chamber of Commerce have sanctioned Rs. 500. Further contributions are invited, and may be sent to Sheth Banarasidas Prahaladrai, 259 Kalbadevi Road, Bombay, 2.

MILITARY DRILL AND LATHI CLASS
The Managing Committee of the Girgaum Vyayam Shala, Congress House, Girgaum, Bombay, have decided to conduct Military Drill and Lathi Training classes from 1st to 31st of May, 1939. The classes will be held in the morning and evening and any gentleman above the age of 18 can join the same on payment of a nominal charge of annas four. Certificates will be awarded to the successful candidates. For admission and further particulars apply to the Hon. General Secretary, Girgaum Vyayam Shala, Congress House.

Debate On Prohibition

A debate on "Prohibition" will be held on Saturday, the 29th instant, at 6-30 p.m. at the Blavatsky Lodge, French Bridge, when Messrs. Jamnadas Mehta, A. P. Sabavala, Prof. R. D. Karve and Prof. S. R. Davar will speak against and Dr. B. B. Yodh Mr. B. G. Horniman and Prof. J. J. Anjaria will speak for it.
Admission by tickets at annas 4 only. Tickets are available at: "Students' Call" 21, Dalal Street, Fort, (between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.), Hindu Gymkhana, Marine Lines, and at the hall on the day of debate.

Literacy Campaign In City

Arrangements For 400 Centres Complete

Miss Godavari Gokhale and Mr. Dinkar Desai, Hon. Secretaries, the Bombay Literacy Campaign Committee, write:—
Arrangements for opening more than 400 adult literacy classes in the City on the first day of May are now almost complete. Classes are spread all over the City and are distributed as follows according to Wards and languages: 'A' Ward 18, 'B' Ward 39, 'C' Ward 62, 'D' Ward 27, 'E' Ward 105, 'F' Ward 77 and 'G' Ward 89 making a total of 417. Of these, 277 are in Marathi, 58 in Gujarati, 38 in Hindi, 21 in Urdu, 13 in Kannada and 4 in Telugu. This list is not yet final and in all probability some more classes will be added to it before the end of April.

BOMBAY LITERACY CAMPAIGN

Teachers' Training Classes

Mr. Lalji Pendse, Curriculum Committee writes:—
Teachers' Training Classes of the Bombay Literacy Campaign Committee continue at the following centres:
1 Wilson College—at 6 P.M. for A.B.C.D. Wards.
2. R. M. Bhat High School, Poibawadi, Parel—at 9 P.M. for E.F.G. Wards.
Separate classes for Urdu and Hindi classes have been set up as under:
1. For Urdu 223 Rippon Road, Madanpura at 7 p.m.
2. For Hindi: (a) Marwari Library, Jacob Circle at 9 P.M.
(b) Marwari Library, near Cotton Exchange, Kalbadevi—at 9 P.M.
Teachers in Hindi can attend any one of these classes according to their convenience.
FOR LADY TEACHERS
1. Wilson College at 6 P.M. or (2) Damodar Thackersee Hall at 2-30 P.M.
Arrangements for Telugu and Kannada classes are being made separately.
Detailed instructions in each one of the different methods in each of the above languages will commence from to-day.

Literacy Drive In City

A public meeting, under the auspices of the Kannada Section of the Bombay Literacy Campaign Committee was held at the Nagpada Neighbourhood House at 9-30 A.M. on Sunday with Mr. K. N. Gaitonde in the Chair.
Messrs. Sasital, Muddi Reddi, Gowde, P. R. Rao, and Kodikal were among the speakers. All the speakers stressed the necessity of the liquidation of illiteracy and said that if democracy was to be a success illiteracy must be removed.
URDU TEACHERS MEETING
A meeting of all the Urdu teachers who have offered their services voluntarily is to be held on Wednesday, the 26th instant at 223, Rippon Road at 9 a.m. where various important points e.g., curriculum etc will be discussed as classes are definitely going to be started from the 1st of May 1939.

A SECOND RECITAL

In Aid Of Abdul Karim Memorial Fund

On Sunday (30th April, 1939), the second recital organised by the Abdul Karim Memorial Committee will take place at the Cowasji Jehangir Hall at 5-30 p.m.
Those who were present on the occasion of the first recital will bear testimony to the fact that an attempt had been made to present to the public a programme of high-class items while yet striving to maintain a certain amount of popular appeal. The next recital will be even more varied and interesting than the first.
The artistes who have consented to contribute items are celebrated in the realms of music and are household names in the world of music lovers.
Dashrath Bhuva, the most beautiful-voiced singer among the late Khan Saheb's disciples, will be heard on the occasion; then we have Roshanara Begum, Kumar Gandharva and others.
Among the amateurs we shall have the pleasure of listening to some well-known artistes, among whom will be Miss Rama Nadkarni Bansri Kazi, Rupa Munshi, and Mrs. and Sundra Bai Tunase and Miss

Kumar Gandharva who will be one of the artistes participating in the second recital in aid of Abdul Karim Memorial Fund on Sunday.

Lalita Venkatraman, who will render tunes of the South on the "Veena."
There will also be dance items by Pandit Sunder Prasad and the Puviah Sisters. The well-known tabla-player, Shamsuddin, will give intricate renderings of "tal" on tabla.
Last, but not least, the portrait of the late musician Karim will be garlanded to his own recorded song as the closing item of the programme.
The response given by the public the last time was so thoroughly gratifying and a mark of respect and love for the master that we hope that the response on the 30th will also be as gratifying and significant, if not even more.
The Abdul Karim Memorial Committee thanks the public for the response given last time.

LITERACY CAMPAIGN IN KANNADA

A meeting of all the Kannada Volunteers of D Ward of Bombay Literacy Campaign Committee was held at the Saraswat Association Hall on Saturday the 22nd April, 1939 at 4-30 p.m. About 20 volunteers, both male and female were present.
At the outset, Mr. V. R. Sasital requested the volunteers to give a brief survey of the work they have done. Messrs. Bhoja Rao, P. R. Rao and Jaya Sagarkar informed the Secretaries and others of the work they had done and gave out the names of the site where they propose to have classes and the number of students they expected.
The following will be in charge of different centres:
1. Messrs. Nagesh Rao, D. S. Kodikal and R. G. Golikere will be in charge of the Chikalwadi classes.
2. Messrs. M. V. Sasital and Balavelli will be in charge of Congress house class.
3. Messrs. B. T. Mangaiore, Bhojarao Inna and S. M. Pai, will conduct the classes at Babulnath.
4. The ladies class is to be in charge of Miss Jaya Sagarkar and Mrs. Padbidri.
5. Messrs. P. R. Rao, S. N. Rao and P. G. Rao will be in charge of the classes at the Byculla Municipal Chawls.
MEETING AT TARABAUG, MAZAGAON.
A public meeting in connection with the Literacy Drive in the city will be held on Thursday the 27th inst. at Tarabag, Love Lane, Mazagaon, at 9 P.M. (S.T.) when Messrs. Babrekar, Jamnadas Dwarkadas, Kashiprasad Sinha, Silam, Dr. Bhoosarath and others will speak.
Hon'ble Mr. A. B. Latthe will preside.
MEETINGS IN "D" WARD
A series of public meetings will be held in connection with the Literacy Drive in the city in following places:
1. 27th April, 1939 at 9 p.m. at Nabab Chawl, Lamington Road.
2. 28th April 1929, at 9 p.m. at Khetwadi 4th and 5th lanes.
3. 29th April, 1939 at (1) At Tardeo Dorab Chawls at 9 p.m., (2) Gamdevi, at 9 p.m.
The following will be amongst the speakers. Messrs. Babrekar, Bhende, Juvale, N. K. Upadhyaya, etc.
MEETING OF 'C' WARD VOLUNTEERS
A meeting of all the volunteers of "C" Ward will be held on Wednesday the 26th inst. at Goculdas Tejpal High School, at 7-30 p.m. (S.T.) All are earnestly requested to attend.

Improvements Committee & Literacy Campaign

The Improvements Committee considered a letter from the Joint Hon. Secretary, Bombay Literacy Campaign Committee requesting the Committee to help the Literacy Campaign by allowing the use of ex-Trust buildings and acquired properties to hold literacy classes for Municipal employees as well as others.
The Committee sent the matter to the Municipal Commissioner for report.

AIR RAIDS

What To Do If Contaminated

The last of the series of four lectures on A.R.P. measures arranged jointly by the Best and the Safety-First Association of India was given by Mr. N. Balkrishna on Tuesday evening in the Conference Hall of Electric House, Bombay.
"Every good citizen," said Mr. Balkrishna, "is expected to take shelter in a refuge room within a few minutes of receiving the air-raid warning. If, after a raid, there is any gas in the streets, the general public should remain under cover until the area is reported clear."
The speaker pointed out that outside walls, door posts, lamp posts and other similar objects may be contaminated after a raid in which blister gas has been used and, therefore, care should be taken not to touch or lean against them until they have been decontaminated.
He then dwelt at length on the importance of the general public having a knowledge of first-aid principles, and warned that clothing contaminated with liquid gas must not on any account be decontaminated in private houses. All clothing found to be or suspected to be contaminated should be kept in air-tight receptacles and sent to special decontaminating stations.
DANGER FROM PROJECTILES.
Mr. Kupp, Superintendent, Fire Salvage Corps, gave a short lecture on the different kinds of incendiary bombs, their construction, and the danger from these projectiles. This was followed by a practical demonstration as to how every householder should be able to deal with an incendiary bomb with the aid of a Red hill anti-incendiary bomb outfit leaving the Fire Brigade to deal with serious fires.
The next series of four A.R.P. lectures for the benefit of those who have not been able to take advantage of the present course will be given on May 9, 16, 23 and 30. A limited number of seats will be offered to the public on application in writing to Mr. E. M. Jusawalla, D.E.A. Service Depot, Electric House, Bombay.

Bombay City European Seat

BY-ELECTION TO BOMBAY ASSEMBLY.
The seat of Mr. W. W. Russell, a member elected to the Bombay Legislative Assembly by the Bombay City 'cum' Bombay Suburban District European Constituency, having become vacant by reason of the resignation of his seat the constituency is called upon to elect a person to fill the said seat before May 11, 1939.
DATES OF NOMINATION AND VOTING
Monday, 1st May 1939: Nomination of candidates and scrutiny of nomination papers.
Tuesday, 9th May 1939 (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.): Voting.
Wednesday, 10th May 1939 (from 11 a.m. at the headquarters office of the Returning Officer): Counting of votes.

Creche At Motion Picture Exhibition

(From I.M.P.C.)
The promoters and organisers of the Silver Jubilee Motion Picture Exhibition, to be opened on the 28th April, 1939, at the Church Gate Reclamation Grounds, announce that a creche for babies and children "free of charge," will be arranged in this Exhibition. While the parents are taking a round of the Exhibition their children will be carefully looked after and kept in comfort, so that every visitor's round of the Exhibition will be quite care-free and satisfactory. This is an innovation which no other exhibition held in the city so far has arranged.
It is expected the visitors will appreciate this unique and useful arrangement and take advantage of it to the fullest extent.

TALK OF THE SUBURBS

(BY A SUBURBAN MAN.)

The last week-end proved a very busy one for most of the Ministers of the Bombay Government.
On Sunday the Hon. Mr. B. G. Kher, Prime Minister, presided at the ninth annual prize distribution function of the Free Mahanand School and Reading Room, Kurla, conducted by Mr. Bhimaji Bhagwan Tryambakkar, President of the Congress Committee of Kurla Taluka.
Mr. Kher distributed the prizes in a very happy mood and addressed the gathering on the need of education and the importance of knowledge of Hindi.
On Saturday the Hon. Mr. V. G. Mavlankar, distributed the prizes of the Gurukul High School, Ghatkopar.
On Sunday the Hon. Mr. A. B. Latthe, laid the foundation stone of the new building of the same school.
In the evening the Hon. Mr. M. M. Pakvasa, presided and distributed the prizes of the Gurukul Institution. All the three functions saw a long and entertaining programme.
On Sunday morning beside laying the foundation stone of the school the Hon. Mr. A. B. Latthe, presided at a public meeting held at the Congress Chhavni at Ghatkopar.
This was held in pursuance of the "Anti-War Day" mandate from Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose, President of the Congress.
The ceremony of hoisting the flag which was performed by Mr. Latthe, was very impressive and his speech on Unity added more grace to the occasion.
PARLE BOARD CONGRESS MINDED.
It is with great rejoicing I heard that the Vile Parle Municipal Board has now become Congress minded.
On Sunday, at a special meeting of the Board, it was decided that all uniforms supplied by the Municipality to its staff should be made of hand-spun and hand-woven khadi. Further that the use of Swadeshi must be encouraged by the Municipality as far as possible.
This is really an encouraging move for Indian industries and if every Municipal Board or other public bodies in our Suburban area will follow Parle's new move, our Industries would benefit considerably.
BASSEIN GOLDEN JUBILEE.
On Saturday next, the Papdy area in Bassein will be in a very happy mood. The event is the Golden Jubilee function of Bassein's only Catholic High School, the Thomas Baptista High School.
A very interesting, entertaining and elaborate programme has been arranged for the occasion. The Hon. Dr. M. D. Gilder, Minister for Health, has most kindly consented to preside.

RECEPTION AT IRAN CONSULATE

Echo Of Marriage Of Crown Prince

The wedding of H.R.H. the Crown Prince of Iran with H.R.H. Princess Fawzieh, sister of H.M. the King of Egypt, which is being celebrated for the last four days at Iran, had its echo in Bombay when H. E. the Consul for Iran and Madam Keyvani held a reception at the Imperial Consulate of Iran on Tuesday evening. The Consulate building was tastefully decorated with variegated lights and flags and buntings and rich Iranian carpets were spread in the compound as well as in the Reception Hall. The Iranians have adopted western dress and were, therefore, clad in ceremonial Morning Dress. A large number of guests were invited to the Reception and they included Sir Jehangir Koyaji, Sir H. P. and Lady Dastur, Mr. and Mrs. Kandalawala, Mr. H. F. Knight, Chief Secretary to the Government, Mr. Kekobad Adenwala, Mr. S. A. Brelvi, Mr. B. G. Horniman, Mr. Smythe and Consuls of all foreign powers. The guests wished the royal bride and bridegroom long life and prosperity and requested the Iran Consul to convey their good wishes to H.I. Majesty Reza Shah Pahlavi of Iran and the royal bride and the bridegroom.

State Congress Leader Sees Savarkar

The Secretary, Hindu Maha Sabha, Bombay Branch writes:—
On the 22nd April, Mr. Kashinathrao Vaidya of the State Congress, Nizam State had a special interview with Mr. V. D. Savarkar, President of the Hindu Maha Sabha at the latter's residence in Bombay. The Nizam Movement was discussed at length during the informal talk they had. Mr. Vaidya proceeded to Rajkot the next day.

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by BRUNO

WHICH WILL IT BE TODAY?
AKIM TAMIROFF PLAYS 4 SEPARATE CHARACTERS IN "THE MAGNIFICENT FRAUD".
BASIL RATHBONE
IN "HOUND OF THE BASKERVILLES" IS AN EXACT DOUBLE FOR SHERLOCK HOLMES AS CONCEIVED BY THE ARTISTS WHO ILLUSTRATED THE ORIGINAL EDITION OF CONAN DOYLE'S WORKS.
VON, AMIABLE 140-LB. GREAT DANE IN THE TITLE ROLE OF BASIL'S PICTURE, HAD TO HAVE MAKE UP APPLIED TO GIVE HIM A FEROCIOUS EXPRESSION!
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LESSON OF RAJKOT

Gandhiji's statement on Rajkot makes painful reading. It is the wail of a man distressed by the "tortuous politics of Kathiawar"; but is certainly not a cry of despair though he says that for the time being he "is defeated" and his "hope is cremated." On another and more notable occasion he said he was defeated but events soon showed that things were not what they seemed. The same will be the case in Rajkot. Truculent tactics may score or seem to score once or twice but they cannot finally triumph over right. Satyagraha knows no final defeat and in Rajkot Satyagraha has just begun. Much of the present disappointment is due to the high hopes naturally raised by the Thakore-Patel Agreement. Subsequent developments showed several unsuspected difficulties. If thereby popular victory is delayed a little, it will not be altogether an evil. The very difficulties will stimulate better and more intensive effort on the part of the Rajkot people and will put the people in other States more on their guard in dealing with Princes.

Satyagraha Will Triumph

Let us now see what precisely are the difficulties in Rajkot and how they can be got over. At present the negotiations proceed on the basis of the Thakore-Patel Agreement, it being understood that any dispute about its interpretation is to be decided either by the Chief Justice of India or any other arbitrator agreed to by the contending parties. The first thing to be done under the Agreement is to appoint the Reforms Committee with a majority for the Parishad, as decided by the Chief Justice. The Thakore is now trying to convert the majority into a minority by asking for four of the Parishad's seven seats for minorities. Gandhiji has rightly refused to accept the suggestion and has, on behalf of Sardar Vallabhbhai, submitted the names of seven representatives of the Parishad. The Thakore objects that six of these are not subjects of the State, though not very long ago he accepted three of these seven as his subjects. However, this fresh dispute, too, will be decided by arbitration. That will cause some more delay but Satyagrahis, as Gandhiji himself has pointed out again and again, need infinite patience. Even if the decision goes against some or all the six members, they can be easily replaced by others whose citizenship is beyond doubt. If necessary, they can be guided, formally or informally by a board of advisers.

Need For Communal Unity

So far, therefore, there is no serious difficulty. The greatest difficulty will arise when the Reforms Committee will have submitted its report. There will then be, in all probability, a dispute as to whether the report confers "the widest reforms consistent with the Ruler's obligations to the Paramount Power." There will also be the final dispute whether a report satisfying the above condition must be accepted by the Ruler in toto as a matter of course or whether he can accept it only partially, without, of course, violating the condition about "widest reforms." These disputes will cause considerable delay but that by itself is not the greatest difficulty. The real tug of war will begin if the final decision happens to be that the Ruler is free to accept the report partially. It must then consistently follow that the people, too, are free not to accept the Ruler's final decisions. From the Thakore's present trend of mind we fear that there will be sharp conflict on this point. And it is the duty of the people of Rajkot to be prepared for this supreme conflict. And there is no better preparation for Satyagraha than constructive service for the people with special reference to communal unity. The root cause of trouble in matters constitutional in the provinces as in the States, is that many minority leaders prefer even the "status quo" to the rule of the majority. Somehow the minorities must be assured that their interests are safe in the hands of the majority people. Without that full responsible Government will be extremely difficult to be achieved. And even when it is achieved, it will not be what it is now expected to be.

Warning To Germany

The mystery of Sir Neville Henderson's sudden and special mission is being gradually cleared up. According to the diplomatic correspondents of some British papers including the "Daily Telegraph," the British Ambassador is conveying "a plan warning to Herr Hitler that if the latter does not quickly show a change of policy a tense situation will develop compelling Britain to take new measures." Now, while welcoming this warning for all it is worth, one also irresistibly notices the fact that the situation is almost exactly similar to that on the eve of "Munich." Is this last warning to lead to a similar betrayal? This is unlikely. The circumstances to-day are different and Mr. Chamberlain has committed himself a little too far for a completely ignominious and treacherous retreat. Then there is the overwhelming American factor. The British Government, it is reported, are supplementing the warning to Germany, with the information that they align themselves four square with President Roosevelt's Note and President Roosevelt is reported to be resolutely determined not to budge an inch from the stand taken by him. In these circumstances Mr. Chamberlain dare not enact another 'Munich.' But the danger does exist that the Premier may at the eleventh hour compromise with Herr Hitler to a certain extent at the expense of the material interests of others. This danger is indirectly hinted at by Vernon Barlett, one of the best informed international experts in Britain. But if the anxiety about Mr. Chamberlain's policy proves to be unreal—and let us earnestly hope it does—then it will rest with Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini to choose between peace by agreement and peace through war, a war which is bound to be infinitely more disastrous to them than to others.

Wanted An Explanation

The statement issued by Sir Raza Ali on the position of Indians in South Africa confirms the current reports of a conference being held at an early date between the Governments of India and South Africa. But it is intriguing why no indication of such a conference was given to the Central Legislative Assembly. It is bad enough for the Government of India to agree to a conference without previously taking the country into confidence. But it even appears from Sir Raza Ali's statement that the basis of the conference may be the segregation of Indians in South Africa. If so the Government of India have blundered in agreeing to the conference and we unhesitatingly endorse Sir Raza Ali's warning that Indians will have nothing to do with such a conference, and the Zanzibar scenes may be enacted in South Africa. The Government of India ought to issue immediately a communique explaining the position with regard to the expected conference.

London Diary

Nazi Propaganda In India

(By Our London Correspondent)

LONDON, April 9.

The instant response in Parliament and the Press (including the "Cliveden" Press) to the official abandonment of the policy of trying to buy off Germany, and the promise of an active counter-offensive to Nazi gangsterism, (writes Mr. A. J. Cummings, in the "News Chronicle") has given a salutary shock to the extremists who have been advising Hitler that he had Chamberlain and Britain in his pocket.

According to the "Observer," converted in a flash of horrified enlightenment from pro-Hitler Clivedenism to a belated sense of the realities. Herr von Ribbentrop (one of Hitler's most stupid but most dangerous lieutenants) during the past few days "has been writing voluminous private letters to British citizens expressing the most melancholy distress over Britain's *misunderstanding* of German policy."

It is all Lombard Street to a China orange, adds Mr. Cummings, that Mr. Garvin was a recipient of one of these voluminous letters: "and I could make a pretty good guess at the identity of most of the others. I hope someone has had the sense and the courage to reply that, outside the British Union of Fascists, Herr von Ribbentrop and his master have no longer any friends in Britain."

Astrologers' Conference

The most optimistic people in all Britain met at Harrogate on Friday—on the day Mussolini invaded Albania—at the Astrologers' Conference. They plan summer holidays and arrange business and domestic affairs with confidence in the belief that 1939, at all events, will be a year of peace.

They are convinced that 1939 will see a decline in the power of the dictator countries. Mrs. A. Sudbury Hurren, of London, said to pressmen: "There is really very little to worry about in 1939. The sword of Mars will be sheathed, but will make for plenty of arbitration and talk. There will quite definitely be no war this year." Then there is Mr. H. Hosking Burnell, organiser of the Conference, who, with many fellow students, feels that war can be avoided. "Nations must co-operate in the cause of peace to overcome the strong Martian influences now prevailing," he explained. "We stand or fall by Hitler falling, and his fall is not merely a tendency indicated by the stars, but a certainty."

But the students of the stars had not gone to Harrogate from most parts of the country solely to discuss politics. The relation of the science to gardening, fear and psychology were also analysed during the four-day conference. Mr. Burnell suggested that astrology might be used with practical success by insurance companies. Certain people were prone to accidents due to the influence of Mars, and it was possible to foretell the precise periods of life in which accidents were most likely to occur to a person.

Only Mr. Alexander Ruperti declared that there would be a dangerous crisis between now and June, due to the over-expensive influences of the stars governing Mussolini's nativity.

Right Breathing

Hundreds of people who believe that "right breathing" ends all strife held a conference in Bloomsbury during Easter holidays. The International Mazdaznan—"Federation of Nations" Gahanbar was responsible for this conference in Red Lion Square.

With a series of rhythmic exercises and a brew of herb tea the Conference got down to business. You see, followers of the Mazdaznan—a synthesis of all the known religions of the world—do not mind getting up early because they are so fit on their rhythmic breathing, glandular therapeutics and vegetarian diet that they hardly require any sleep. Daddy (Mazdaznan title for "leader") Guromano ("wise man"), who is Lieut.-Colonel Arthur F. Gault, wore white silk robes over white tennis trousers, and presided on a flower-decorated platform, over a audience of 300 Mazdaznans. Almost all of them were women. Behind him was a white altar, on which stood nine orange candles, and on the wall behind that was a huge painting of the late "Master," Dr. Otoman Zar-Adusht Ha'nish.

Mother Ethel read a message from Mother Theodora and everybody held up their arms as a "sign of true consciousness." Daddy Guromano thanked Daddy Harry for organising the Gahanbar (meaning a family gathering). Daddy Harry urged more of the Mazdaznans to go to a special restaurant where Mazdaznan food was being provided, as the organ-

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PROBLEM OF THE STATES

Some Practical Suggestions

By P. L. Chudgar.

The latest pronouncement of the Secretary of State for India and H. E. The Viceroy on the policy of H. M's Government towards introduction of constitutional reforms in the States are to the effect that H. M's Government will neither obstruct the introduction of constitutional reforms in the States nor any form of pressure whatever on the Princes to introduce constitutional reforms.

Lord Zetland in his recent Liverpool speech (March 2nd) is reported to have stated as follows:

"There were great States in India like Hyderabad, Mysore and Baroda where the level of administration is extremely high, but there were other States where the standard of administration was susceptible to considerable improvement. In my view, the time had come when the Paramount Power should intervene a little more actively than it has done in the past, not with a view to derogating from the sovereignty of the Princes but for giving them advice with the object of raising the standard of their administration. Though we are under a promise to protect the Prices against aggression from without, it is only reasonable that we should see that the legitimate grievances of Their Highnesses' subjects should be carefully considered by them and where possible remedy should be supplied. That does not mean that we are justified in bringing pressure to bear on Princes to bring about a radical change in the form of their government. I have always said that that is a matter for the Princes themselves. We should do what we can to raise the standard of administration and see that the subjects of Their Highnesses get a fair deal, but let us not forget to consider the views of the Princes or endeavour to impose a form of Government, which in many cases, would be quite unsuited to the conditions that exist"

Deviation From Past Policy

This enunciation of policy ignores or rather negatives the former pronouncements of Viceroys and the clear and the definite findings of the Butler Committee particularly Paras 49 and 50 of their Report. The following are a few out of many similar pronouncements:—

Lord Lytton in Despatch to the Secretary of State for India prior to the rendition of Mysore in 1882 wrote:—

"The British Government now undertakes the duties of protecting all Native States in India from external enemies and of preserving internal order by measures necessary for securing the people from mis-government and for supporting the lawful authority of the Ruler; so also the powers of the British Government *to prescribe the forms of administration and to insist that its advice be adopted*, (my italics) are the necessary co-relatives of the admitted responsibilities of the British Government for the internal peace of the whole Empire and general welfare of the people".

Lord Curzon:—

"The Native Prince cannot remain vis-a-vis of the Empire a loyal subject of H. M. The King Emperor, and vis-a-vis of his own people, a frivolous and irresponsible despot. He must justify, and not abuse the authority committed to him. He must be the servant as well as the master of his people. He must learn, that his revenues are not secured to him for his own selfish gratification, but for the good of his subjects; that his internal administration is only exempt from correction in proportion as it is honest, and that his Gadi is not intended to be a divan of indulgence, but the stern seat of duty. His figure should not be merely known on the Polo ground or on the Race-course or in the European Hotel. His real work, his princely duty, lies among his own people. By this standard shall I at any rate judge him. By this test will he in the long run as a political institution perish or survive."

Pronouncements affirming the above policy and laying down the above principle have been made by Lords Hardinge, Northbrook, Harris, Granbrock, Mayo, Chemlsford, Reading, Irwin and other Ministers of the Crown.

It must be clear from the above material that the Paramount Power have not only the right but the imperative duty not only to take effective measures for remedying and giving relief against legitimate grievances of the people of the States, but also to prescribe the forms of administration in the States. And yet in pursuance of Imperialistic policy, the Paramount Power deny their obligation and keep on making vague and evasive statements about their duties and responsibilities.

Suggested Solution

In view of the latest pronouncements by Lord Zetland in his Liverpool Speech on the 2nd March, 1939, I suggest that the States' problem can be satisfactorily solved in the following manner:—

1. BIG STATES:—States sufficiently important from the point of view of area, population and revenue that can introduce and maintain responsible government and in which men with a sense of public duty and responsibility can be found, should be ascertained and they should be persuaded to issue declarations proclaiming that it is their aim to grant full responsible government to their people within a fixed period of time not exceeding ten years and an earnest of their good faith, they should be asked to introduce immediately such constitutional reforms as are calculated to give, proper training to the people to shoulder the responsibility of responsible government when it is granted.

2. SMALLER STATES:—There are three conceivable alternatives for these States:—

(a) Confederation so as to make each confederation of the same size and importance as the Big States.
(b) Amalgamation with bigger States.
(c) Amalgamation with the British Indian Provinces.

The best of these alternatives cannot be decided without a thorough inquiry into the matter and that inquiry must be immediately set up.

Redress Of Present Grievances

3. A thorough and exhaustive inquiry should be made by a Representative Commission appointed for the purpose, and effective redress should be granted according to the findings and the recommendations of the Commission and independent and permanent judicial machinery should be provided to secure the effective redress of the peoples' grievances.

Note:—At present there is no machinery whatever by which the aggrieved and oppressed subjects of the States can get effective relief. The only procedure followed, is that a subject presents a complaint to the Political Officer concerned, the Political Officer refers the complaint to the accused Ruler or Chief himself.

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FRANKLY SPEAKING

THE SPANISH DANGER

The recent interpellations in the House of Commons on the subject more than confirm the unsatisfactory situation there and the dangers that are only too real. Mr. Butler sought to explain away the recent movements of Spanish troops near Gibraltar as if they were of no importance. But when asked why it was then considered necessary to send British re-inforcements to Gibraltar "Mr. Butler made no reply." Nor is this all. In connection with the withdrawal of Italian forces in Spain Mr. Chamberlain trusted that no representation would be necessary. But when asked whether there was a possibility of these forces being retained in Spain beyond May 15, all that the British Premier could say was that "the situation was being watched with very close attention." All this plainly shows that Gibraltar is in danger, that Italy means to remain in Spain and that the British Government are aware of these grave facts but do not want to acknowledge them.

A DISCLAIMER—

Herr Lierau, the new Consul-General to South Africa, visited Windhoek the capital of South West Africa and declared at a meeting that 'there was no danger of trouble in South-West Africa, where Germans had no plan of offensive action at all." This is, of course, patently untrue for the simple reason that Nazi preparations and smuggling of arms into South-West Africa have been fully exposed. But this falsehood is not nearly so interesting as the fact that Herr Lierau himself contradicted it at the same meeting and during the same speech.

—AND ITS PROOF!

Having allayed all fears and suspicions in regard to Nazi intentions. Herr Lierau proceeded to read a message from the Fuehrer thanking the Germans of South-West Africa—no more German subjects—for their "loyalty" to him and calling upon them "to live hand in hand in full Nazi brotherhood." And then, as if further to interpret Herr Hitler's message Herr Litrau himself "urged them to swear undying allegiance and loyalty to Herr Hitler through thick and thin no matter what came and in all circumstances." If this is not a very clear and blatant incitement for a "plan of offensive action" which Herr Lierau had earlier disclaimed what is?

GOVT. & BACKWARD CLASSES

How earnestly the present Government of Bombay are striving for the uplift of the Harijans and other Backward Classes is shown in a statement just issued by them on this subject. It shows that Government are now making larger grants for the education and general betterment of these classes than were ever made before. A grant of Rs. 91,584 for 1939-'40 has been proposed exclusively for the Scheduled Castes as against Rs. 81,584 in 1936-'39. Grants of Rs. 1,16,356 for Backward Classes, including Scheduled Castes, for 1939-'40 has been proposed, the amount for 1938-'39 being only Rs. 1,06,356. So far as employment in Government services is concerned, a minimum of ten per cent. has been fixed for the recruitment of backward communities in the inferior services. Free-studentships and scholarships have been provided on a generous scale to Harijan pupils, and special scholarships for prosecution of higher studies in England are also being awarded to qualified Harijan students since last year at an annual cost of Rs. 4,000. None will grudge the special concessions to backward communities. The only regret is that more cannot be done for them for lack of funds

HAWKERS AND SQUATTERS

Mr. R. S. Nimbkar's resolution in the Corporation on hawkers and squatters raises many important issues, and it is well the resolution has been referred to the Law, Revenue and General Purposes Committee for report. We trust the Committee's report will be full and comprehensive and explain clearly the rights and obligations of hawkers and squatters with special reference to the use of foot paths and also the duties of the municipality and the police in the matter. At present the exact legal position in this matter seems to be very complicated and uncertain, owing to the general rules being subject to too many exceptions. Consequently many hawkers take advantage of this uncertainty, and the public also cannot co-operate with the authorities concerned. And the position becomes worse when the police make their own compromises with the rules and their exceptions on humanitarian or personal grounds.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Most things come to those who hustle while they wait.

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The street-car conductor is a way-faring individual.

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The tongue of a woman is her sword—and she never allows it to rust.

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Some fools put on more airs than a wise man could grind out of a hand-organ

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Affected indifference to everything of current interest is a fad with some people.

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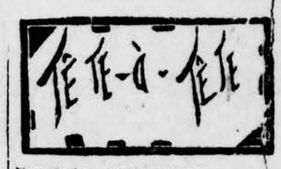
There is one redeeming feature about a chronic borrower—he never strikes a man when he is down.



Twenty-five Japanese blue jackets subsequently came to the hospital and demanded to see the victims of the accident. The English Superintendent, Dr. Cooper Patrick, refused and told them that Mrs. Lillie was being operated upon and finally showed them the body of Dr. Lillie.

It is alleged that during the argument a Japanese officer slapped the English Assistant ...Commissioner of Police, Mr. A. H. Samson. Finally, the Japanese Naval Commander, Mr. Habashi, arrived and went to Mrs. Lillie's room despite requests not to do so. He afterwards ordered the blue-jackets to leave.

—Shanghai Message.

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"Such tactics give rise to the suspicion that the Thakore Sahib (of Rajkot) and his adviser are practising vexatious obstruction" —Anglo-India.

It is a tribute to the genius of Darbar Virawala that even Anglo-India is reluctantly willing to understand him, however dimly.

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The U. P. Government have decided to appoint punitive police in Lucknow the cost of which will be realised from Sunnis and Shias.

Obviously there is no end to the atrocities that Hindu Congress Governments are only too ready to perpetrate against innocent Muslims.

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Eh? What is all this Shia-Sunni trouble about?

Better not force us to give our opinion. We would infallibly be guilty of "Tabarra" against both.

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A Calcutta fortune-teller who smells the imminence of earthquakes in the air prophesies, says a news Agency, a disastrous earthquake in Calcutta within the next few weeks.

He is clearly more sensitive than some of us who smell a rumble in Calcutta within the next few days.

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The Egyptian Premier has assured the Chamber that Egypt "was taking all necessary measures to defend her independence and security. (prolonged cheers)."

What, "Independence" too?

But sorry, we were forgetting the ban on the Wafd Congress.

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Public opinion in Great Britain is not completely satisfied with the new Ministry of Supplies which is criticised as being limited in scope.

But what did they expect Mr. Chamberlain to do? Deprive war manufacturers of *all* their initiative and excess profits?

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As a reprisal for the expulsion of three undesirable Nazi agents from Britain, Germany has deported three British businessmen.

Which presents Mr. Chamberlain with an excuse not to deal with any more Nazi agents and spies.

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"Asked if Sir N. Henderson's return meant that Government accepted the annexation of Czecho-Slovakia, Mr. Chamberlain replied "certainly not—in no way."

—Reuter.

Now, why *did* the Premier protest a little too categorically?

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Talking of Mr. Chamberlain's "certainly not—in no way", what about Albania? asks the Junior Colleague.

Albania, however, is in a different category—the category of Anglo-Italian realism rather than of International morality.

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Rumania has turned the tables on Germany by asking Herr Hitler himself as to whether she should feel her security menaced by Germany.

Let us hope the Fuehrer does not gesticulate too wildly against Carol and Gafencu on Friday.

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According to a Burgos statement, reports concerning dangers to Gibraltar and Tangier are "vulgar lies".

General Franco's Government are rapidly learning both the political technique and the literary style of their masters, the Rome-Berlin Axis.

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Spain, adds the statement, "is firmly resolved to devote herself to the great task of reconstruction".

Exactly. A la Germany and Italy.

British Ultimatum To Hitler

EITHER CHANGE POLICY OR FACE TENSE INTERNATIONAL SITUATION

Ambassador's Mission

LONDON, April 25.

ACCORDING to some diplomatic correspondents of the morning papers Ambassador Sir Nevile Henderson is conveying a plain warning to Herr Hitler that if he does not quickly show a change of policy a tense international situation will develop and Britain will take new measures.

WITHIN THE FEWEST HOURS

Mr. Vernon Bartlett, M.P., "The News Chronicle's" Diplomatic Correspondent dealing guardedly with the new move that has been reported says that nobody seems to know as to how far it will leave the door open to bargaining. Mr. Bartlett refers to the assurances given to Hitler that "within the fewest hours" the whole world would realise that the step in no wise indicates the slightest weakening of the British Government's determination to stand firm against aggression.

CONSCRIPTION FAST COMING

It is understood that the Cabinet to-night generally agreed to the principle in regard to the desirability of conscription but the question of expediency is still to be settled.

The "News Chronicle" features the Cabinet's reported agreement on the principle in regard to the desirability of conscription in connection with which its political Correspondent says that at least one Minister with whom he discussed the question pointed out that the calling up for army service of the nineteen-year-age group would mean an accession of 300 thousand men to the territorial army.

Sir Nevile Henderson will state, says the "Daily Telegraph" and "Morning Post," that unless there is evidence of a change of policy on the part of Germany British Government be forced to continue organising resistance to aggression and will enforce conscription in this country.

He will suggest that the steps Germany might take are withdrawal of troops from Spain, demobilisation of some of the forces now under arms at home. Germany will also doubtles learn, adds the correspondent that it is British Government's desire to see that a practical pacific approach is made towards solutions of questions claimed to be outstanding. "Thus the British Government aligns itself foursquare with stand taken up by Mr. Roosevelt in the notes which he addressed to Germany and Italy—facts which have been made abundantly clear to Washington in the dispatches from London." Asserting that Sir Nevile Henderson asked for immediate personal interview with Hitler, the "Daily Express" also believes Sir Henderson will represent the wisdom of the acceptance of Mr. Roosevelt's 10 or 25-year peace plan.

Directly worded, the statement, the Correspondent adds, concludes with a plain warning that rejection of Roosevelt's proposals must lead a tense international situation and have the worst possible effect on the world—particularly on the British—opinion.

This last point is featured by the "Daily Mail" which uses the words Sir Nevile Henderson will "stress the fact that rejection (of Roosevelt's appeal) would increase international tension almost to the breaking point."—Reuter's Special.

TERRITORIAL UNITS REACH WAR LEVEL

LONDON, April 24.

A hint respecting compulsory national service was given by Mr. Winston Churchill speaking at Mansion House to-day when he revealed that all territorial units had reached war strength and good progress was being made in the formation of the Second Line.

Mr. Churchill said this was a remarkable result considering the way in which schedule of reserved occupations had been framed.

Mr. Churchill continued that with national approval, Britain had guaranteed to many countries of Europe that we would make common cause in the event of aggression. So far Britain had not taken adequate steps to provide itself with sufficient army with which to back its words. Anyone could see public opinion growing in favour of compulsory national service in all forms. It was increasingly probable to have compulsory national service before long.—Reuter.

TRUCE FROM POLITICAL STRIFE DURING KING'S VISIT

Parties Agree To Finish Parliamentary Work In Time

OTTAWA, April 21.

"A truce from political strife" during the visit of Their Majesties has been agreed to by the Liberal Prime Minister, Mr. MacKenzie King and the National Conservative leader, Mr. Nanion.

Mr. MacKenzie King explained in the House of Commons that if work was not finished when Their Majesties arrived there would be an adjournment until June 9. Should the work finish, His Majesty would prorogue the Parliament. All party leaders are agreed to expedite business in order that the session may end before the arrival of Their Majesties, but some members have pointed out that with important measures like the Budget and the new agricultural programme still to be discussed, it was unlikely that the session could be prorogued before May 15.—Reuter.

Lothian As Ambassador For America

LONDON, April 24.

The King has approved of the appointment of the Marquess of Lothian as Ambassador in Washington in succession to Sir Donald Lindsay, who is retiring in the course of summer.—Reuter.

HAIFA, April 25.

Two Jewish Supernumerary policemen were shot dead near the railway station in the Eastern quarter of Haifa.—Reuter.

HITLER'S MESSAGE TO SOUTH AFRICAN GERMANS

JOHANNESBURG, April 24.

A special message from Herr Hitler to the Germans living in South-West Africa was mentioned by Herr Lierau at yesterday's meeting.

The message thanked the Germans for their past loyalty to the Fuehrer and expressed the hope that their loyalty would continue. It added that they were to live hand in hand in full Nazi brotherhood.

Herr Lierau urged them to swear undying allegiance and loyalty to Herr Hitler through thick and thin, no matter what came and in all circumstances.—Reuter.

Next Session Of Congress At Phulvari Sharif

(From Our Correspondent.)

PATNA, April 25.

At a meeting of the Bihar Provincial Congress Committee, held yesterday at Patna it was decided that the 53rd Session of the Indian National Congress should be held at Phulvari Sharif, five miles away from Patna.

Two More Asked To Leave Berlin

The other two British businessmen asked to leave Berlin are Leslie Parkin, General Manager in Hamburg for Eastern Telegraph Company and Cowan Edlinson, a merchant of Hamburg.—Reuter.

How Berlin Looks At It

BERLIN, April 25.

Official circles are careful to treat Sir Vevile Henderson's return as a completely normal event. Hints are dropped of some special mission. The "Hamburger Fremdenblatt" says. "We can await the mission which caused the Ambassador's return at this moment with the same calm as we endured Britain's recent diplomatic behaviour".—Reuter.

"WE ARE MOVING TOWARDS PEACEFUL FUTURE"

ATHENS, April 25.

The Premier General Metaxas speaking at a dinner last night declared:

"I cannot assure you that the world is definitely moving towards peace for no one can give a real assurance in such a matter; but I can assure you that there are numerous signs that we are moving towards a peaceful future. I have this pre-sentiment and I hope and pray to the Almighty that it may prove to be correct.—Reuter.

ESTONIAN ARMY CHIEF CONCLUDES TOUR IN POLAND

WARSAW, April 24.

General Laidoner, Commanding the Estonian Army concluded his visit to Poland.

Before leaving, he said that Poland and Estonia had many interests in common and might have dangers in common. There were no alliances or written treaties between them, because they were not necessary in view of the existing mutual understanding.

General Laidoner remarked upon the appreciation with which the bilateral agreement between Britain and Poland was regarded in Warsaw.—Reuter.

GAFENCU SEES PREMIER & HALIFAX

LONDON, April 24.

M. Gafencu began talks in the morning when he called at the Foreign Office to see Lord Halifax. He will see Mr. Chamberlain at the House of Commons in the afternoon.

M. Gafencu has brought with him two secretaries but no commercial experts. Trade discussions between Rumania and Britain, however, will begin at Bucharest on April 25 where the Leith-Ross Mission is due to-day. It is not known whether M. Gafencu will have conversations with Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade. It is understood that a formal meeting has not been fixed yet.—Reuter.

ANGLO-MEXICAN RELATIONS

LONDON, April 24.

The under-secretary for Foreign Affairs said in the House of Commons that, although preliminary conversations had recently taken place between the Mexican Government and representatives of expropriated oilfields, there had been no development in the situation to justify His Majesty's Government taking steps for the resumption of diplomatic relations with Mexico.

The restoration of order in Palestine proceeds steadily and such terrorist bands as still remain are small and scattered and avoid carefully any encounter with the military. Sniping still occasionally occurs, but terrorist activities are now much hampered by the recent captures of arms and munitions and by the growing hostility of villagers towards bandits who pillage the countryside on the pretext that they are protecting the interests of the Arabs. In some regions such as Jericho there has been no shooting at all since March 28.—Reuter.

JAPAN'S SHARE IN THE AXIS PLANS

Japan's navy has not only seized the Spratley Island base, as reported in the world press, but is now engaged in taking control of all the reefs and small islands in the vast archipelago between British North Borneo and French Indo-China. Occupation of Hainan and Spratley is leading to annexation of the far-flung groups from the Paracels to Swallow Island. Spratley has been claimed by the French, and is marked on many maps and atlases as British.

Two Thousand Guineas Probables

The following are the alterations in Two-thousand Guineas probables:—

Patbeasley rides Casanova, Semblat rides Dispenser, Nevett rides Diadoque.—Reuter.

H. H. the Maharaja Pratap Singh Gaekwad, whose Coronation takes place to-day.

NAZIS START RADIO WAR

Berlin Counter-Measures Against British Broadcasts

BERLIN, April 25.

Herr Hitler's threat to take counter-measures against British broadcasts was taken a step further with the announcement that shortwave news broadcast destined for South Africa in Afrikaans will be issued from to-day.

A service in Arabic will also be started to-day. Foreign language broadcasts will be increased "according to requirements."—Reuter.

NAZI PURGE OF HLINKA GUARDS

BERLIN, April 25.

A complete purge of Hlinka Guards has been carried out in the last few days by Supreme Command, according to a German News Agency message, from Bratislava. Several officers are said to have been arrested, while others have been degraded.—Reuter.

ROOSEVELT'S SLAP TO DICTATORS

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choslovakia and Albania respectively.—Reuter.

GERMANO-SPANISH TRADE TREATY

Spain's Resources To Be Exploited

BERLIN, April 25.

A Germano-Spanish trade treaty similar to the agreement with Rumania is expected to be concluded shortly, states the 'Danziger Vorposten' which has close connections with the German foreign Office.

The paper adds that the treaty will concern the rehabilitation of Spain after the devastation of the civil war and the exploitation of the country's raw material resources which are described as "immense".—Reuter.

AMERICA'S DEFENCE APPROPRIATIONS

Senate Approves Expenditure Of 508 Million Dollars

WASHINGTON, April 25.

The senate has approved of 508 million dollars appropriation for army and Defence activities during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1939. This includes a provision for about 600 modern aeroplanes. The Bill now goes to the White House for President Roosevelt's signature.—Reuter.

GERMAN ANNEXATION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA

France Does Not Recognise It

PARIS: April 25.

"Le Petit Parisien" states that the return of M. Coulondre in no way signifies French recognition of Germany's annexation of Czechoslovakia or setting up of a protectorate.—Reuter.

Suppression Of Foreign Propaganda In France

PARIS: April 25.

Penalties to five years' imprisonment and a fine of £60 are provided in a decree for suppressing foreign propaganda. Persons receiving funds from abroad and carrying out propaganda are liable.—Reuter.

27 Jailed In Red Political Trial

Buddhist Priests Among Accused

MOSCOW, April 25.

Twenty-seven alleged members of a counter-revolutionary espionage organisation acting on instructions of the Foreign Intelligence Service of an unnamed country have been sentenced to terms of imprisonment varying from eight to ten years at Eravna in Mongolia.

The charges included sabotage and plotting to overthrow the Soviet regime. Buddhist priests were among the accused.—Reuter.

CIANO TO VISIT MADRID

PARIS, April 24.

Count Ciano will visit Madrid in the middle of May, according to Havas Agency Rome correspondent.—Reuter.

M. P.'S AND OFFICIAL SECRETS ACT

Select Committee's Report

LONDON: April 25.

The Select Committee, which inquired into the applicability of the Official Secrets Act to Members of Parliament in discharge of their Parliamentary duties, has issued its report.

The Committee think it inadvisable to attempt precisely to define the extent of immunity of members from prosecution under the Official Secrets Act.

The Committee's inquiry brought home to the members the need for discretion in seeking information regarding matters affecting the safety of the realm, and had impressed upon the Ministers that the powers conferred upon the Executive must not be used to impede the members in discharging their parliamentary duties. The inquiry was the result of Mr. Sandy's case.—Reuter.

DEFENCE OF GIBRALTAR

Additional Anti-Aircraft Guns Despatched

LONDON, April 25.

Asked about the Gibraltar defences, Mr. Hore-Belisha declared in the House of Commons that every precaution had been taken.

Additional anti-aircraft guns had been despatched, and the provision was satisfactory.

Mr. Hore-Belisha described as absolutely untrue the suggestions that additional guns sent to Gibraltar had been found incapable of use, owing to the absence of parts. Mr. Hore-Belisha also announced that army cooks would receive material increases of pay to be provided with equipment comparable to the best kitchens.—Reuter.

SPECIAL POWERS FOR BELGIAN CABINET

BRUSSELS April 25.

A demand for special powers will be made by the new Government when it meets the Parliament for the first time to-day.

The newspaper "Soir" stating that the Government considers special powers as indispensable for assuring economic and financial recovery, declares that any modification of the monetary status will be excluded. This is taken to mean that the cabinet's proposals will leave Belga at the present value.

PIERLOT ANNOUNCES POLICY

BRUSSELS April 25.

M. Pierlot announced that the Government would remain faithful to her policy of independence. The menacing world situation demanded measures to ensure the defence of the country and Colonies and these would be taken.—Reuter.

FRANCE FORTIFIES HER FRONTIERS

METZ (France), April 25.

It is reported here that all Saar miners up to the age of 65, who had been pensioned have been recalled to work in order to take part in frontier fortification construction. Their work begins daily at 5-0 a. m. and continues until 8 p. m.—Reuter.

ARMAMENTS OVERSHADOW BRITISH BUDGET

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would be a death duty increase of ten per cent on estates over 50,000 sterling. The total estimated revenue on the new basis of taxation is 942,600,000 sterling.

INDO-BRITISH TRADE AGREEMENT

In the course of his speech, Sir John Simon pointed out that legislation was necessary to bring Anglo-Indian Trade Agreement within the framework of the Ottawa Agreements Act.

JUSTIFICATION OF MORE TAXATION.

Sir John Simon referred to the 630 millions required for defence as "this stupendous figure, which measures the size and effort that has to be made and which measures the whole country's determination to make it." (General cheers).

Sir John Simon said it would be easy to add to the loan figure but he did not think, this simple solution was justified. If there was a limit to what was conveniently and tolerably raised by taxation there was also a limit to what could wisely be raised by borrowing. Heavy as was the burden of taxation upon all, the country was roused to the necessity of further sacrifices. In the long run it would not be in the country's interest lightheartedly to attempt to throw an additional sum wholly into the borrowing scale. Consequently he proposed additional taxation of approximately 24 millions.

TRADE AGREEMENTS.

Legislation would be required on certain points arising out of the trade agreements with the United States and India and he would have to table resolutions to implement certain provisions of the American Trade Agreement and in the case of the Indian Trade Agreement to bring the new agreement within the framework of the Ottawa Agreements Act.

Sir John Simon explained that the repeal of medicine and stamp duties and the relief to theatres by reducing the tax by a penny per admission would cost about a million.

Dealing with income-tax Sir John Simon said, the present rate was within six pence of the highest figure in war. They had been doing all they could to encourage a measure of confidence in business and there were grounds for expecting further business recovery, if there was no setback. Therefore, he avoided any measure, which would have generally a depressing effect on industry even if the effect on industry was largely a matter of psychology.

DISCUSSION AMONG MEMBERS.

Sir John Simon's announcement on car tax increases surprised the house and there was general conversation among the members, who were obviously working out increases in their own car taxes.

DEFENCE EXPENDITURE

Sir John Simon explained that the Defence expenditure last year from revenue was 254.5 millions. They borrowed 128 millions making a total of 382.5 millions for the three Defence departments.

With food storage and air raid precautions the gross total was almost exactly 400 millions. Supplementary expenditure for defence was the most serious and important question and the cardinal issue in the present budget.

The total estimated expenditure on air raid precaution services was 42 millions of which 37 millions will be borrowed. The estimated expenditure on food reserves was five millions. The total expenditure provided from revenue was 922 millions apart from the Defence supplementary expenditure.

Dealing with the social services and home expenditure Sir John Simon said that the new internal projects calling for major additions to expenditure, were not in the present circumstances possible.

DUTY ON SUGAR

Explaining the sugar duty the Chancellor said that the present duty on foreign raw sugar was equivalent to nine shillings four pence per hundredweight. The new rates involve an addition of two shillings four pence per hundredweight. The Empire Preference duty will be preserved and excise duty on homegrown sugar adjusted to maintain the existing margin of advantage.

'PEDESTRIAN BUDGET.'

Mr. Attlee complained that the Chancellor was not really facing the problem of the colossal expenditure, but passing it on. Sooner or later, borrowing was going to fall on the poorest of the poor. Sooner or later and the sooner the better, we should have to come down to taxation of accumulated wealth instead of creating enormous indebtedness on which interest must be paid.

Sir Archibald Sinclair described the Budget, as 'Pedestrian and unimaginative.' He believed that the peoples' goodwill and patriotism of which Sir John Simon had spoken would greatly be fortified if the taxpayer was convinced that the Government was seriously tackling the problem of expenditure. "Let us be certain that the great expenditure on armaments is being economically administered. Meantime, private expenditure, especially luxuries should be prevented from competing with the national rearmament effort. While supporters of the Government are demanding conscription of manpower there is little evidence in the Budget of the resolute policy to mobilise the country's economic and financial resources for national effort **Reuter**

Flying Boats For Australia-New Zealand Service

LONDON, April 24.

The Imperial Airways took delivery to-day of flying boats "Australia" and "Aotearoa," the first two of three flying boats, destined for the Australia-New Zealand section of England-New Zealand air route. The third boat "Awarua" is expected to be launched in about a week.

It is anticipated pending the completion of the necessary ground organisation these flying boats will be used on regular Empire routes from England to South Africa, and to Australia and the East. They are sistership to the flying boats which will bridge the Atlantic in summer. They are the last word in passenger luxury, are four-engined, and can take off at 46,000 lbs. They have ample range for the 1,360 miles, crossing from Sydney to Auckland.—Reuter.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT'S POLICY IN PALESTINE

Conference Of Zionists And Non-Zionists To Decide On Attitude

LONDON: April 25.

A Conference of Zionists and non-Zionists from West European countries opened at the headquarters of the Zionist organisation, London, to consider the attitude toward the Government's policy for Palestine in the light of the present situation.

Mr. Selik Brodetsky, the Head of the Political Department of the Zionist Organisation presides and reports will be given by Mr. Shertok from Jerusalem and Mr. Goldman from Geneva.

Holland, France, Switzerland, Scandinavia and Britain are represented.—Reuter.

World Achievement.

Australia In A Week-end

We have already seen how Alcock and Brown conquered the Atlantic, and have followed the progress of man's success in the air from the days when aeroplanes had wings like birds.

Do you remember that thrilling race between England and Australia in 1934?

In the presence of over 50,000 people, 20 aeroplanes left Mildenhall at sunrise. Before midnight, news came that the 'Comets' flown by Mr. and Mrs. Mollison and Mr. Charles Scott had arrived at Bagdad. They had flown over Germany and the Black Sea, reaching heights of 16,000 feet in order to escape bad weather and the risk of flying into mountain ranges On they went into the night, the Mollisons reaching Karachi in record time. It was a thrilling and unparalleled ride, for it was the first time anyone had flown to India in one day.

Unfortunately the Mollisons met with an accident, but Scott (with his companion Black) flew on, crossing the terrible shark-infested Timor Sea, reaching Port Darwin at 11 o'clock on Monday morning. Struggling on still further, he landed at Melbourne at 5.33 on Tuesday morning, having covered 11,296 miles in 2 days, 23 hours.

This marvellous record was unprecedented, and the race was made more thrilling still when it was learned that a Dutch air liner, with three passengers, and only capable of carrying sufficient petrol for 100 miles, arrived soon after. This air liner, with sleeping accommodation for each pilot, certainly heralded the time that will come when we shall be able to spend our winter week-ends on sunny Australian beaches.

Ask Britain To Withdraw Armed Domination Over India

HINDU SABHA CHIEF'S CABLE TO ROOSEVELT: SEQUEL TO APPEAL TO HITLER

(From A Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, April 23.

Mr. Vinayak D. Savarkar, the President, All-India Hindu Mahasabha has sent the following Cablegram to Mr. Roosevelt, President, United States of America, New York:—

"If your note to Hitler is actuated by disinterested human anxiety for safeguarding freedom and democracy from Military Aggression pray ask Britain too to withdraw her Armed Domination over Hindusthan and let her have free and self-determined constitution. Great nation like Hindusthan can surely claim at least as much international justice as small nations do."

HYDERABAD SATYAGRAHA

Arya Samaj Intensifies Movement: 5,000 Volunteers In May

SHOLAPUR, April 24.

With a view to intensify the Hyderabad Satyagraha the Arya Samaj War Council have decided to send at least 5,000 Satyagrahis within May.

Provincial organisation have been informed telegraphically to send jathas. Pandit Vedavrat, the fifth Dictator, is offering Satyagraha on May 5, with 500 volunteers.

He is visiting Bombay on April 26, Akola on April 28, Amraoti 29, Wardha on 30 and Nagpur on May 1. The Pusad centre is being strengthened, Pandit Gianchand Mehta and Mr. Sanwanmal and other are proceeding there to-night.—United Press.

Hartal Continues In Jamnagar

JAMNAGAR, April 25.

Secretary, Prajamandal, wires: Hartal continues in the city and a central stall has been opened for public convenience

173 Shias Arrested At Lucknow

LUCKNOW, April 25

173 Shias courted arrest to-day in batches by publicly reciting 'tabarra.' Those arrested include Syed Hasanmehdi and Syed Jafarmendi Ba brothers of the Raja of Pirpur, Moulana Syed Raza Imam Jamaat, Bombay Mohammad Abid, Editor 'Tamir' Faizabad, Khan Bahadur Tahzia Bulhasnain, Syed Zillesibtain of Amroha Muntajib Husain and Ali Walid, advocates.—A. P.

ACUTE DISTRESS IN HISSAR

Nekiram Sharma's Appeal For Help

Pandit Nekiram Sharma, President Hissar Congress Famine Relief Committee, has addressed the following appeal to the generous public of Bombay:—

"I sincerely thank the philanthropists of Bombay for the timely help rendered by them through the Bombay Humanitarian League which has so far saved thousands of distressed cows of Hissar. If the same spirit of generosity continues for three months more for feeding the cows and if it rains in time, these cows that have been saved will be useful as foundation stock and it is hoped the renowned Hariana breed of cows that was threatened with annihilation, will again thrive in the district.

Even now the distress of famine is very acute in Hissar. There is complete dearth of foodstuffs but in hundreds of villages even water scarcity is acutely felt. The wells there have gone dry since long or the water is brackish. Hundreds of villagers get limited quantity of water for daily use from a distance of 7 to 8 miles. Really those in cities who are accustomed to get profuse water even under shower bath, merely by touching the tap in the bath room, cannot adequately imagine the unbearable water scarcity felt by the distressed people and cattle of Hissar in these awful days.

Contributions may be sent to Banarsidar Pralhadraj, 259, Kalbadevi Road, Bombay.

JAMNAGAR PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE

Mr. Gokuldas Hirji, Secretary, Jamnagar Praja Parishad, wires to say that May 1 and 2 have been fixed as the dates of the Jamnagar People's Conference.

A Central Stall has been opened at the Parishadnagar compound to provide foodstuffs to all, without any distinction of caste or community.

The 'hartal' continues for the sixth day. Although it is the marriage season, people have refrained from taking out any processions or beating drums.

116 Resolutions For A.I.C.C.

ALLAHABAD: April 25.

The total number of private resolutions for the forthcoming A.I.C.C. meeting being 116, it is stated by the A.I.C.C. Office, that it has broken all previous records.

For the Tripuri session there were only 68 resolutions. In view of this large number of resolutions and also because of the highest number of A.I.C.C. members (420, which is another record number for all previous years), the forthcoming meeting at Calcutta is expected to be a prolonged session.

The A.I.C.C. staff will leave from Allahabad on the evening of Thursday to open the office at Calcutta on the 28th instant. The Acting General Secretary, Mr. D. Narsimham will leave Allahabad to-morrow, reaching Calcutta on Thursday morning.—United Press.

Jawahar For Calcutta

CALCUTTA, April 25.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru reaches Calcutta on Thursday with Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose.—United Press.

Bhulabhai Leaves For Calcutta

BOMBAY: Monday.

Mr. Bhulabhai J. Desai left for Calcutta by mail this evening to attend the A.I.C.C. meeting.

The Hon. Mr. B. G. Kher and the Hon. Mr. Morarji Desai are expected to leave to-morrow.

PT. PANT FOR CALCUTTA

LUCKNOW: April 25.

The Hon. Pt. Govind Ballabh Pant, Premier, accompanied by Dr. Pandey, his Private Secretary and some of his Cabinet colleagues will leave for Calcutta on April 27, to attend the meeting of the A.I.C.C.—United Press.

LONDON, April 25.

The following are amended probables for Two-thousand Guineas: Weston rides TRIGUERO; Sibbritt CONTROL, Gordon Richards FOX-CUB, Lowrey RAMBODA, Maher FAIRCHANCE, Gethin LEMANOUC, Cliff Richards ATOUTMAITRE. No jockeys have been chosen for DIADOQUE and DISPENSER.

Omit LLANDAFF, SIGNALLIGHT and FAIRFAX.—Reuter.

Civil Liberty In Mysore

Congress Leader Arrested: Another Convicted: Gag Order On Socialist

(From Our Correspondent.)

BANGALORE, April 24.

Mr. T. Subramaniyam, President, Dist. Congress Committee, Tumkur, was arrested on a warrant issued by the Dist. Magistrate for sedition in connection with a speech that he delivered in Tumkur on April 9. He was produced before the Dist. Magistrate who remanded him to custody the case is posted for April 27.

Mr. S. Ramaswamy, the Socialist and Labour leader, who was to deliver a speech under the auspices of the Mysore Railway Labour Union was prohibited under Section 144 by the Dist. Magistrate, Mysore from delivering any speeches in Mysore City within the radius of five miles around for two months.

The Shimoga Magistrate sentenced the State Congress Leader Mr. H. Siddiah, to 18 months' rigorous imprisonment and Rs. 300 fine in default three months' further imprisonment on a charge of sedition.

CALCUTTA MAYOR'S ELECTION

Constitutional Deadlock In Sight

CALCUTTA, April 25.

The "United Press" understands that a constitutional deadlock may arise in the Calcutta Corporation when it meets to-morrow for the purpose of electing the Mayor for the current year.

It may be pointed out that on September 20 last the Bengal Government, by a "Gazette" notification, has extended the life of the Corporation, which was to have expired on March 31 last, by another year. But as doubts were entertained about the competency of such notification, Government introduced a Bill in the Bengal Legislative Assembly on March 31 to remove those doubts. The Bill was passed by the Assembly, but has not yet been approved by the Upper House.

On inquiry, the "United Press" understands that Government cannot by any means bring the said Bill before the Upper House before May 2 next, and according to constitutional experts not only the Mayoral election but everything concerning the Councillors and Aldermen is likely to be considered "ultra vires."—United Press.

SHANKARACHARYA OF JYOTIRMATH

Visit To Hyderabad As Religious Head

SHOLAPUR, April 25.

Jagadguru Shankaracharya of Jyotirmath, Himalayas who has been for sometime past interesting himself in the Satyagraha movement, with his personal staff and accompanied by Dr. Antrolikar (Congress M.L.A. of Bombay) and a couple of Hindu leaders of Maharashtra as also some officials of the Nizam's State left by car this morning to Hyderabad.

His Holiness was met here yesterday by a Hindu officer, who is the Second Talukdar of Bid District who is said to have been deputed to escort H. H. Shankaracharya to the capital of the State. His Holiness and party visited Tuljapur, and Osmanabad. At Tuljapur they visited the temple and met Hindus who submitted their grievances to His Holiness.

His Holiness also gave interviews to State Officers also and returned to Sholapur last night. Interviewed His Holiness declined to give any statement or reveal the purpose of his visit which is stated to be private.

Inquiries show that H. H. Shankaracharya is proceeding in his individual capacity as head of a section of Hindus and his followers and others met him to make representations to him about the situation in the State. Inquiries at Arya Headquarters elicited the information that H. H. Shankaracharya's visit is unconnected with their movement and His Holiness is not going there on their behalf or any other mission as far as they are aware.—United Press.

Secretariat Roads Barricaded

Surprise For Cuttack Student Satyagrahis: Hopes Of Settlement

CUTTACK, April 25.

The students' Satyagraha took a different turn to-day. The demonstrators were forestalled at all thoroughfares leading to the Secretariat by the police who barricaded the area and prevented the demonstrators from proceeding to the scene. None except officers were permitted inside.

Twenty-six Satyagrahis were arrested. The arrested men included Mr. Sudhir Kabi, the Dictator of the Satyagraha. The arrests were effected under Section 151 Cr. P.C., for prevention of unlawful activities before their occurrence

ARRESTED PERSONS RELEASED

Although a large number of people waited to witness the scene they could not be collected at one place. The crowds gradually melted. All the 26 arrested Satyagrahis were let off after some time. They marched in a procession, with very few people accompanying them.

Peaceful atmosphere prevailed to-day. Meanwhile the Committee which was appointed at a public meeting to bring about a solution of the 'impasse', met the Hon. Mr. Bodharam Dube, Minister, last night and had long discussions with him. Although the discussion is kept a close secret, it is understood that a termination of the present 'impasse' is likely very shortly.

APPEAL TO PARENTS

Meanwhile the Managing Committee of the Orissa Medical School have issued an appeal requesting guardians of all school children to send them back to school and promising that their cases and the question of admission without fees would be reconsidered.—United Press.

RELIEF TO VERY POOR PROPERTY HOLDERS

Remission Of Taxes On Rateable Value Of Less Than Rs. 500

As a measure of relief to very poor property holders Government has decided that the urban immovable property tax should be remitted entirely in respect of properties of which the rateable value is less than Rs. 500 in the City of Bombay and less than Rs. 200 in Salsette and Ahmedabad. The formal rule necessary to give effect to this decision will be issued in due course, but Government have instructed the local authorities concerned to give effect to it in the meanwhile. It is estimated that the number of properties which will thus be relieved from the tax is considerable in some areas being nearly 50 per cent. of the total.

Government have also decided that in Salsette and Ahmedabad the tax shall be levied at 5 per cent. on properties of which the annual letting value does not exceed Rs. 1,000. A formal notification to this effect has been published in the Gazette

Wardha Scheme At Work In Sangli

SANGLI, April 24.

H. H. Raja Saheb of Sangli laid the foundation stone this morning of the "Bal Shiksana Mandir" of the Sangli Education Society, intended to be the first Wardha scheme centre in the State.—United Press.

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isation had guaranteed to send a minimum number of customers along daily.

Next the worshippers stood and waving their arms in the air, again sang a chorus, "Oh! Happy Day." Then all turned and, crossing hands, gripped the hands of their neighbours, wishing them a happy Easter.

Daddy Guromano revealed to us how Hitler came to be a Mazdaznan. You see, explained Daddy, many years ago, Hitler was blind and paralysed. In this predicament his life was saved by Dr. Oberdoffer, a Dutch Mazdaznan, "although", as Daddy puts it, "there are some people who now say that it is a pity he did not let him die". Hitler, continued Daddy, continued to study the philosophy of Mazdaznan in prison and now Goering and Goebbels are also followers of the Mazdaznan, employing Mazdaznan cooks. "And that", explained Daddy, "is why there are so cute and clever—even if they do put their cleverness to wrong purposes".

According to Daddy, "Mazdaznan is the religion of religions, and reincarnation is our main belief. We have millions of followers, though we have no membership. We are a great peace organisation, and the League of Nations was founded through us". Daddy's wife is called Mummy Ashoi, and leads the women. Mazdaznan are vegetarians and also take breathing exercises every day "for breath is life and breath ends all strife".

Frau Stephania Sypkens, of Holland, spoke on the "Five Chambers of the Heart". She told us that the existence of the fifth chamber has been proved to be a scientific fact. A photograph of it, enlarged 2,000,000 times, showed a perfect though sexless replica of the individual.

Goebbels' Missionaries in India

It is reported in London that Nazi propaganda penetration in India has taken an important step further. Dr. Goebbels has decided to send "missionaries" specially selected for their knowledge of "native" culture and religion. Their job will be to visit the ruling princes of the Indian States, and persuade them of Hitler's admiration for their ancient order, and of their proud Aryan origin. Also, emphasis will be placed on the similarity of Nazi rule with the Princes' own conception of "paternal autocracy", which Mahatmaji wants to abolish.

According to a Sunday newspaper Germany's eyes have also been turned to India in order to stir up discontent against Britain—especially among Congressmen. It is said that Dr. Schacht has been ordered to India before the end of this month to get into touch with commercial circles there. He will put up proposals for reducing the amount of trade India does with Britain and for transferring it to Germany instead. As Germany has no foreign currency with which to pay for the goods, he will suggest a barter agreement by which India will give Germany Indian cotton in exchange for German machinery. Dr. Schacht's plan is to supply machinery, cement, sugar and motor cars at much cheaper prices than they are supplied by Britain. They will, in fact, be subsidized. And simultaneously German Nazi organisers will stir up trouble in the political organizations to stimulate agitation against British rule.

It is further suggested that last week Hitler created a "Palestine department" to supervise the work of the Nazi agents working among the Arabs. Goebbels saw several outlawed Arab leaders during his stay on the Isle of Rhodes.

RAILWAY WORKERS' CONFERENCE

(From Our Correspondent)

BHAVNAGAR, April 25.

The Bhavnagar State Railway Workers' Conference will be held on April 30 and May 1 at Bhavnagar. Mr. S. H. Jhabvala, M.L.A. will preside over the Conference.

A SHORT STORY

Unfinished Business

(By BARBARA ANN BENEDICT)

"And so the heart-broken young man bought himself a one-way ticket to South Africa, where he drove thoughts of Alice from his mind by indulging all of his almost forgotten playboy instincts. Before many weeks had passed he had shaped a new life for himself, a life in which Alice played no part.....Then he met lovely Gloria Barrington. A month later they were married and lived happy ever after. The End."

Emmon hurled the magazine into the farthest corner of his third floor back bedroom and swore in utter disgust.

"Isn't that swell. Isn't that just dandy! So the heart-broken young man bought himself a one-way ticket to South Africa. My, my! Now that little junket must have set him back about dol.180. I wonder what the dear boy would have done if he only had a buck and a quarter between himself and next week's thirty-dollar pay check?"

Emmon swung himself from the bed, crossed to the window and stood, hands deep-thrust in his trouser's pockets, staring moodily down onto the alley with its ash cans and cobble stones and unpainted board fences. Magazine writers, he thought, didn't know a great deal about real life. Either that or they ducked issues and made things easy for themselves by refusing to offer explanations to implausible situations. Their heroes, for example, never had to worry about money. When a chap got jilted by a girl he merely bought himself a ticket to South Africa and chased half way around the world to forget.

But suppose he was just a thirty-dollar a week advertising copy-writer. How then would these smart fiction writers solve the problem? Emmon's mouth screwed itself into a bitter smile. He'd like to ask them. He'd like to tell them about his own situation. He'd like to explain about Elena and himself. He's like to say: "Look here, Mr. Writer, I didn't know that Elena was the daughter of a millionaire when I fell in love with her. I thought she was just an ordinary girl. She said she loved me and I believed her. Then I found out who she was and I knew what a jackass I'd made of myself. A girl with her dough couldn't love a guy making thirty bucks a week. A chap has his pride. The thing for me to do was fade out of the picture. I ought to do like the heart-broken young man did: buy myself a one-way ticket to South Africa. Yes, that's it. All I lack is the dough. How about it, Mr. Writer, where do I get that dough?"

Footsteps sounded on the uncarpeted stairs. One flight. Two. Three. A knock sounded on Emmon's door. It opened. A man, a stranger, stepped inside.

"Are you Emmon Nethersole?"

"That's right," said Emmon. "Which one of my creditors wants to send me to jail this time?"

"I'm from the National Advertising Agency. Your entry in our copy-writer's contest didn't win first prize, but it attracted the attention of the judges. They seemed to think you have a lot of imagination and are offering you a position as a publicity man for a steamship company. Your first job will be to take a trip around the world and write copy from your observations for travel literature. Fifty dollars a week and all expenses. You'll have to decide now."

Emmon steadied himself against the iron railing of the bed. Dear heaven! It was a miracle! He hadn't heard right. This couldn't be happening to him! Only a fiction writer could think up something like this. Around the world! Lord! That was better, so very much better than a mere trip to South Africa with nothing to do but think.

"Well?" said the stranger. "Does the job appeal to you?"

Emmon took an eager step forward, words of acceptance and gratitude ready to burst from his lips. He stopped. Between him and the stranger a barrier had reared itself, Elena. Leaving Elena behind. Running away from all this that had happened. Running away from situation that had licked him, from the kidding he would be found to get at the office, from his love for the girl. Making a coward of himself. Admitting defeat, admitting that he couldn't stay here and lick the thing that had almost licked him.

Suddenly he knew he couldn't do it. "No," he said dully. "No, I can't accept the job—now. I've some unfinished business to attend to.'

Emmon walked into a restaurant. He didn't notice that his customary table was occupied until he had seated himself.

"Emmon."

He looked up at the girl and all the dull pain and torture, all that he had suffered in the past week was mirrored in his eyes. He had time to canceal none of it.

"Elena! What are you doing in this miserable little restaurant? Why aren't you....."

"Hush! I came because I wanted to see you." She looked at him steadily. "Emmon, why didn't you take the travelling job?"

"So you know about that, eh? How?"

"I arranged it. Oh, don't look so shocked. You were always ranting about how things turned out so conveniently in story books. I wanted you to have a story book opportunity. But you didn't take it. You didn't go away and forget. Why? Why, Emmon?"

"So that's how it was. No miracle at all. Well, you've won all the way through. You might as well know the payoff. I didn't go because I'm in love with you and it seemed like a coward's way of trying to beat the racket."

"Darling!" There were tears in her eyes. "Oh, my darling, that's what I wanted to hear. When you left me a week ago I wasn't sure. I had to know that your love was real. And now I do know and—Oh, can't you see that what I am or what you are won't make any difference if we love each other the way we must?"

Emmon's knuckles were white where he gripped the table. "Unfinished business. That's why I told him I couldn't take the job. Well—I guess I can finish it up right here and now." And he did.

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FIRE AT BOMBAY CENTRAL

A fire broke out in the goods yard of the Bombay Central Station at 3 p.m. on Tuesday as a result of which 2,000 bales of hay were burnt down.

The damage is estimated at Rs. 5,000. Four fire engines rushed to the spot and extinguished the fire after about an hour's operation.

Riot In Jafrabad Jail

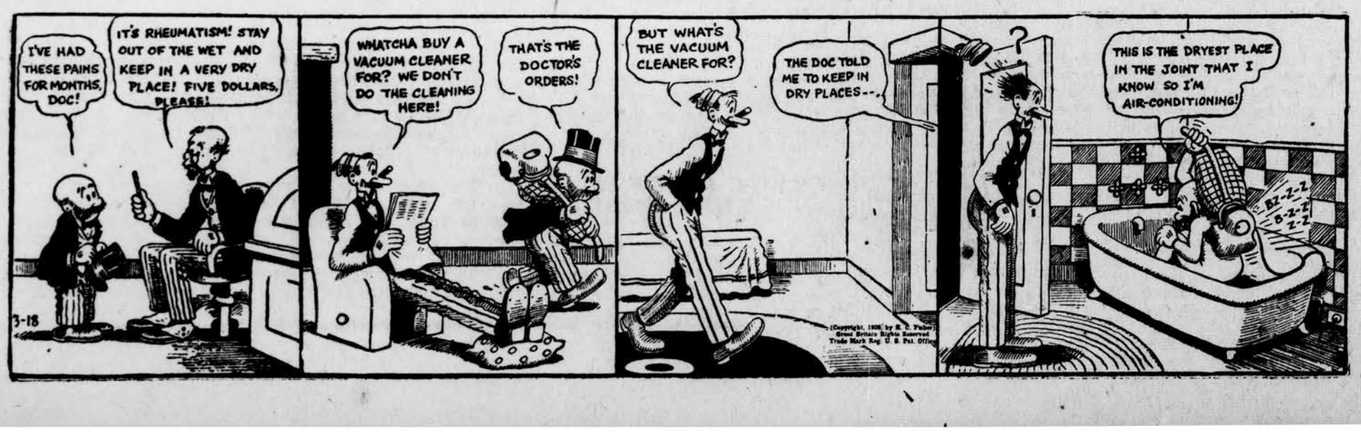
(From Our Correspondent)

BHAVNAGAR, April 25.

Prisoners in Jafrabad Jail rioted and shot two policemen. As they took possession of guns and ammunition, they struck terror in the heart of citizens.

Help from Bhavnagar was immediately summoned and the police party from here is said to have seized the prisoners alive.

MUTT AND JEFF—Of Course, I Suppose You Know That the Bathtub Is Absolutely Sans Water By BUD FISHER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New Proposal For Defence Of Democracies

Federation Of 23 Countries With Foreign Policy Under Central Control

Sir Evelyn Wrench in the course of an address on "English Speaking Union" broadcast from the Bombay Station of All-India Radio said:—

I should like to draw your attention to a book, which has just been published in the United States, and which has been simultaneously published in London by Jonathan Cape and which has attracted a great amount of attention. In the British Press it has been very favourably reviewed by people such as Lord Lothian, Mr. Lionel Curtis, Mr. Wickham Steed and others.

The book is entitled "Union Now", its author is Mr. Clarence B. Streit, an American journalist in the forties, who for seven or eight years was the Geneva correspondent of the New York Times. Very briefly and inadequately I will try to sum up his thesis, which is that the only way to preserve peace is to create a federation between fifteen liberty-loving nations. This is the list that he gives. The United States, Great Britain, Ireland, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, France, Belgium, Holland, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Finland and Switzerland.

He bases his scheme largely on the federal system worked out by Alexander Hamilton, when the American Constitution was drawn up. He draws attention to the lessons of history and shows that the thirteen American colonies so long as each one tried to retain its full independence, were unable to unite. Always with the American example in mind he proposes that these fifteen States should govern themselves, as far as their internal affairs are concerned; but that they should be represented in a Federal Parliament with one member for every million of their population. This Federal Parliament would have complete control over foreign affairs, defence, tariffs, currency and communications.

I am trying to give you in a few words the main contents of the book which I read just before leaving England, and obviously in a short talk like this it is impossible not to omit some important points. The author of the book omitted India from his list of fifteen nations, I presume that he was afraid that the three hundred millions of India would swamp the rest of the world.

But I think that if the scheme were ever seriously considered there would be some way of meeting this difficulty. Please understand that I do not necessarily agree with all the writer's views, but it does show the lines on which intelligent people are thinking. During my last week in London I discussed the book with a Dutch friend of mine, and also with a South African friend, I was surprised to find two entirely different types of individuals both thinking that there was a great deal of matter for serious thought in the book.

Whether the scheme put forward in "Union Now" will or will not ultimately find acceptance among the freedom-loving peoples is beside the point; the important thing to remember is that there is a growing desire throughout the world to-day to organise those people into a group among whom war is unthinkable; and when that group is organised however far off that happy day may be, I am quite certain that India will be included in the list.

Now to conclude my talk. I should like to deal with the immediate future. Please do not think that I am an impracticable idealist, who thinks that the millenium is round the corner. I travel about the world too much to hold any such illusions. I do, however, believe in integration rather than in disintegration; first things first, for heaven's sake let us make a good job of promoting the unity of the British Commonwealth first; if we can show that the free sister-nations of our Commonwealth can work together for the common good and for the prevention of war, we have taken a vital step forward toward the goal of the ultimate unity of mankind.

I readily admit that the British Commonwealth has made mistakes as have all countries but I am convinced the British Commonwealth is one of the sheet-anchors of civilisation. I do assure you that the people of Great Britain were never more in earnest in their devotion to the great concepts of human freedom than they are at this moment. The British people are united today as they have rarely been in the past; like their cousins across the Atlantic, they feel that the civilisation that they hold dear is menaced as it has not been menaced since the Napoleonic era. I think there is an universal desire in Great Britain to co-operate with the United States and the other freedom-loving countries in marshalling every ounce of energy they possess in saying to the Dictators "Thus far and no further".

PROBLEM OF THE STATES

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the Ruler reports that the complaint is unfounded; the report is never shown to the complainant and is taken for granted; and after months, the complainant is told that his complaint is unfounded and the Political Officer declines to interfere; the complainant is victimized and no one dares to take any complaint to the Political Officer and people are compelled and prefer to suffer in silence all the tyranny and oppression.

The only use which some Rulers of small States make of their jurisdictional powers is to extort money from the people by summarily imprisoning them for indefinite periods by starting false cases against them and thus keeping them in constant terror all their lives.

The policy recently announced by Lord Zetland cannot be effectively carried out without providing a regular judicial machinery for the purpose of hearing and giving effective relief to the aggrieved State subjects.

Cases Of Rajkot, Jaipur, Limbdi, Vithalgadh & Orissa States

(a) Rajkot trouble is almost settled.

(b) Jaipur trouble can be easily settled, if the ban against Sheth Jamnalalji is removed and the Jaipur Praja Mandal is persuaded to accept and work the scheme of Advisory Boards recently introduced by the Jaipur Government with suitable modifications devised to give some financial powers for village services.

(c) The trouble in Orissa States can be ended, if the Military and Police are withdrawn from the States and people conciliated and persuaded to return to their States and given an assurance that all their grievances will be thoroughly investigated by independent and impartial Commission of Inquiry and relief given to them according to the recommendations of the Commission.

(d) LIMBDI AND VITHALGADH CASES:—Atrocities similar to those committed at Jalianwala Bagh have been alleged to have been committed in these two States and independent Commission of Inquiry by the Government and failing them by the Congress should be appointed and appropriate action taken on the findings of the Commission.

(e) REPRESENTATION OF THE STATES IN THE FEDERAL LEGISLATURE:— Electoral rules on the same or similar franchise as in the Provinces with suitable modifications according to local conditions should be made for sending elected representatives to the Federal Legislatures.

With a view to finding a satisfactory solution of the States' problem as a whole on the above lines, I venture to suggest that a Round Table Conference of the Representatives of the Paramount Power, the States—big and small—and of the Congress under the presidentship of the Crown Representative should be arranged at the earliest possible opportunity to discuss the issues and to find out the best way of settling them.

There is nothing to prevent the summoning of such a Round Table Conference as suggested by the "Manchester Guardian" so far back as in 1928:—

"No lawyer can deny us (Britain) the right to say to the Princes, 'we entered into certain engagements with you because of our position as Rulers of British India. The time is coming when we must hand over the rule of British India to its habitants. We give you notice now so that you may make new arrangements with our successors. We will help you as far as we can to get fair terms, but your future must depend chiefly on your success in securing the goodwill of your subjects."

The Right Hon'ble Shrinivas Shastri in his Cochin address, Mr. Shri Nivas Iyengar, and recently Dr. Ambedkar and many other eminent Statesmen have expressed the opinion that the 442 smaller States must be abolished. It is absurd to think of maintaining them in their present form.

SPOTLIGHT ON ENGLAND

(BY. A. L. MORTON.)

(Lecturer, critic, historian, contributor to "Criterion, European Quarterly, "Twentieth Century," etc).

It is essential that Empire opinion should plainly understand the present situation in Britain. There has been no "change of policy." There is no truth in the statements so assiduously put out from the Premier's private press office that the policy of appeasement has been dropped.

What is true is that the Conservative Party and the Cabinet have been split wide open on the issue, but that the main group around Chamberlain himself are still in control and are hanging on like grim death to their policy of opening the front to Hitler. At the same time, they are forced to make every kind of gesture and manoeuvre to cover up their real line.

Mr. Chamberlain has stated in the House explicitly that the Soviet Government have been kept fully informed of all negotiations. There is no foundation in fact whatever for this statement. The Soviet Ambassador has been kept in the same ignorance to-day as he was in the crisis of last September, and there has been no direct contact with Moscow either. One recalls the words of Neville's father, Joe Chamberlain of notorious memory: "The Tories have lied on this question with a vigour and persistency and unanimity which have almost elevated mendacity into a virtue." That blistering sentence applies to-day in full to the present situation.

The policy of the Government, it must be made plain to all, is still that of last September. Hitler must be prevented from making further open attacks by armed force against his neighbours, as this must inevitably produce a powerful reaction in Britain and overthrow the Government. But every means must be found for breaking down the resistance of the small nations which stand in his way, and preparing new Munichs by which he can secure diplomatically the necessary successes to prop his tottering regime up.

There is ample evidence of this. The "Times" leader of April 1, pointing out that the new Polish Pact guarantees Polish independence but not the integrity of her frontiers, plainly gives the real Chamberlain line. It is exactly similar to the infamous "Times" editorial before the Munich betrayal, which opened the way to the cession of Sudetenland. At the same time the Premier used in the House the term "free negotiations" as between Germany and Poland—which is the identical phrase used in the Foreign Office communique pledging aid to Czechoslovakia in the event of military attack. That communique was issued two days before Munich.

The main diplomatic correspondents in London report frantic efforts by Chamberlain to bring in Mussolini to 'mediate"—along the lines of the fake invitation to Munich last year. At the same time pressure is brought to bear on Beck and the "Colonels Government" in Warsaw to keep out Russia at all costs.

There is no doubt at all that the Polish ruling clique hate and fear the Soviet. Great landlords, industrialists and militarists, they loathe all that Russia stands for in the modern world. But, as speaker after speaker has pointed out in the House, the inclusion of Russia is the only criterion by which the attempts to stop Hitler can be judged.

On this point, the following report by the Warsaw correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" is of interest: "The Polish Government's strong opposition to Russia may be a class one, as is the case with some other Governments, for among the Polish masses no ill-feeling to Russia nor objections to co-operating with her can be discerned.

As for British opinion, an interesting and valuable survey has just been concluded by the British Institute of Public Opinion. Its conclusions, reached after scientific analysis, are that to the question "would you like to see Great Britain and Soviet Russia more friendly to each other?" 84 per cent said Yes, 9 per cent said. No Opinion, and 9 per cent said No.

Petty Zamindars Need Not Fear

They Are On Same Level As Kisans, Says Sahajanand

Swami Sahajanand Saraswati, General Secretary, All-India Kisan Sabha has issued the following statement:

Mischievous propaganda on behalf of the interested quarters is going on ceaselessly to misrepresent the Kisan Sabha and its activities so far as the petty zemindars are concerned.

It has been brought to my notice by those who really wish the Kisans and the Kisan Sabha well that a sort of belief is gaining ground in the minds of the petty zemindars who mainly depend for their livelihood on the cultivation of their lands, that the Kisan Sabha is out, if not in theory at least in practice, to deprive them of the little lands they possess. They honestly believe that this is the sum-total of the activities of the Kisan Sabha.

I see clearly that the big zemindars, other vested interests and their allies are moving very cleverly in the matter and want to serve their end by hoodwinking their brethren—the petty zemindars and the public at large. Hence I deem it my imperative duty to make the position of the Kisan Sabha clear once more in this connection.

From the very beginning it has been the duty and outlook of the Kisan Sabha to bring the petty zemindars in its fold and give them ample protection so far as their legitimate rights are concerned.

The very constitutions of some of the Provincial Kisan Sabhas including Bihar Sabha have made it abundantly clear and anybody having any doubt in this regard may consult these constitutions and satisfy himself. In fact it has never entered the mind of those who guide the activities of the Kisan Sabha to dispossess the petty zemindars of their lands and thus force them and their dependents to starve. To us they are as much Kisans as others including agricultural labourers and we sincerely desire that there should be real and practical co-operation, mutual understandings and adjustment between these three sections of the Kisans and there should not be left the slightest ground for friction.

We have instructed our workers to act accordingly and on behalf of the All-India Kisan Sabha I once more warn them seriously against any activities which tend to create even the remotest misunderstanding among these different sections of the Kisan.

Of course it does not mean that the Kisan Sabha will tolerate the tyranny of the petty zemindars over the other two sections of Kisans due to their false notion of prestige as zemindars or under the influence and guidance of the enemies of Kisan Sabha.

It is the game of the big zemindars and enemies of the Kisan Sabha to create the troubles with the kisans with a belief that the petty zemindars can easily be exploited to fight their battles and serve their end and bear the brunt of the trouble that will inevitably ensue. I therefore, warn the petty zemindars to be on their guard lest they be made scape-goats of others.

In the end I make an earnest appeal to the petty zemindars to give us an opportunity to deal fairly with their legitimate demands and this they can very well do by joining the Kisan Sabha, and if, unfortunately, they cannot see their way to do so, they may place their grievances in an organised way before the Kisan Sabha.

I am glad to mention here the All-India Kisan Sabha has recently passed at Gaya a resolution with regard to the petty zemindars on the above-mentioned lines.

Friend Of Italy Will Now Boycott Italy

(From Our Own Correspondent)

LONDON, April 12

Sir Charles Petrie, historian, author, has resigned from the Council of the Anglo-Italian Cultural Association in Milan because he says, "I feel so strongly on the attack on Albania that I do not think I can associate myself with any Italian activities until there is a change of policy in Italy."

Sir Charles is a commendatore of the Order of the Crown of Italy. The Cultural Association was reformed when the Anglo-Italian pact was signed recently.

SIMLA, April 24.

During the week ending April 22 1939, gold to the value of Rs. 80 lakhs was exported from Bombay by sea.—A.P.

Purnea Guns 'Spiked'

A Bihar Mystery

NEW DELHI, April 17.

The "Purnea Guns" are reported to have been spiked. Their booming is heard no more.

Brontides, popularly known as "Purnea Guns", according to the Geological Survey of India, were similar to the sounds often heard near Barisal, Bengal, where they are known as "Barisal Guns". Since the Bihar-Nepal earthquake of 1934, the 'Purnea Guns' have been silent.

The sound was heard almost all the year round (day and night), but more particularly during the rains. At intervals of an hour or half an hour, several loud reports were heard in quick succession for a few minutes. Sometimes they were not heard for days or months.

The sound resembled the booming of a distant gun and occasionally an explosion. It was heard mostly in the Araria and Sadar Sub-Divisions of the district.

For about ten days after the earthquake, according to one report, 'Purnea Guns' were abnormally active and loud. From January 18 to 21 deep rumblings were heard which lasted for several minutes at a time.

But now there is quiet on the Purnea 'front' and the guns are heard no more.

Sounds similar to 'Purnea Guns' are heard at Biratnagar near the Nepal frontier, North-West of Araria. The Hakim of Biratnagar states that the sounds have decreased in frequency since the earthquake.

NATIONALIST MUSLIMS CONFERENCE

POONA, April 24.

A political conference of nationalist Muslims of Maharashtra will be held at Dhulia in July. It is understood that S. Zaheer, M. L. A. (U.P.), may be invited to preside over the Conference, and Syed Abdulla Brelvi, editor of the "Bombay Chronicle", may be invited to open the Conference.

Greatness Of Zoroaster's Faith

MAZDAYASNANS HOPE TO HAVE ENTRY INTO FIRE TEMPLE "IN COURSE OF TIME"

A pointed question with regard to the claim of their being Zoroastrians put to the French Mazdayasnans, now in Bombay as to the question of admittance into Parsi (Zoroastrian) Fire Temples, which alone could entitle them to be called Zoroastrians (Parsis), showed that the new converts "hoped" that in course of time they might be admitted into the Fire Temples.

So far, however, it appears the Parsi (Zoroastrian) community has not granted this right to any 'converts' to its faith—including the present French Mazdayasnans in the city. In fact the Parsi community has refused all these centuries to do any proselitising work.

The above question was put informally to a member of the Mazdayasnan delegation after the meeting at the C. J. Hall, Bombay, on Monday.

On behalf of the Parsi Vegetarian and Temperance Society a rousing reception was given to the French Mazdayasnan Delegation which is in Bombay, at the Sir C. J. Hall, on Monday evening, Sir Jehangir Coyajee presiding.

Sir J. Coyajee extending a hearty welcome to the guests, observed that the Mazdayasnan friends were devoted to the noble work of spreading the truth underlying the Zoroastrian religion and hoped that the contact of the Parsi community in India with the followers of Zoroaster in other parts of the world would become more fruitful and abiding.

INFALLIBLE PHILOSOPHY

Mr. Cyrano Huguenin addressing the gathering observed that the Zoroastrian philosophy was the only infallible philosophy of light and eternity, through which the world would be "redeemed and turned into paradise." Zoroastrian philosophy was brought to them by Dr. Ottoman Zarthustra Hanish and with its help they would develop "spiritual and intellectual propensity of mankind." "Mazdayasnan is a scientific philosophy of life and of eternity which must be lived and demonstrated" he said.

TREMENDOUS WAVE OF SPIRIT

Mother Gloria speaking next said that each Master had given his truth according to the spirit of the time in which he lived. Zoroaster had created a tremendous wave of his spirit which lasted till to-day and would last for ever because his teaching was based upon truth in thought, word and deed.

NEW FREEDOM

She thought that a new time was rising when men would find freedom of will and freedom to live according to the dictates of heart, as taught by the Master. She further said that mere intellectual understanding did not matter, but men should learn to enter into intimate contact with the guiding voice and live a life of creative force.

Zoroaster, she said, taught breathing exercises which developed twelve senses of man, making possible for the brain to respond to the will of heart.

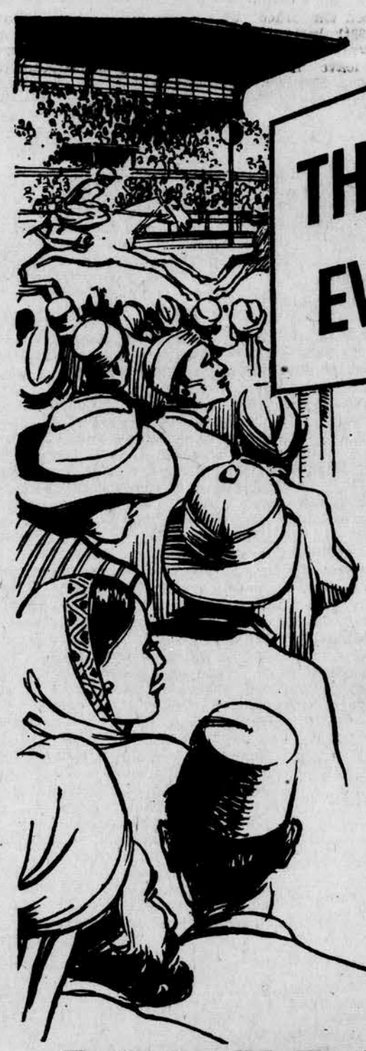
BREATHING EXERCISE

Mr. Pierre Martin explained the breathing exercise in detail and how it developed brain and made one conscious of the inherent strength of one's heart.

MEAT FOOD IMPURE

Mrs. Pierre Martin observed that the Mazdayasnan philosophy had a material basis without which a system of thought would be of no use. The body should not be ignored as the instrument of spirit. It was essential that right type of food should be selected. People should eat no more flesh which was most impure. Men had no right to take the life of the animal. "We must be in body what we are in spirit," she concluded.

At the end of the meeting all the members of the delegation were profusely garlanded.



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Mainly About Motion Pictures

"STUDIO SPY" ASKS

Will Bombay Become A Babel?

Introducing Sadhona And Modhu Bose

Bombay soon threatens to become a Babel Multi-lingual pictures are the vogue. To mention only a few.

Producer Chandulal Shah of Ranjit is busy (in the moments that he can snatch from the work in connection with the Motion Picture Congress) with the production of "Achhut" (Gujarati, Hindustani and English).

SADHONA BOSE: "One picture a year is sufficient."

GANGUBAI & SAMANT, in "Daughter of the Marathas," a Marathi picture at Majestic.

Director Mahbub of Sagar, having completed "The Only Way", is tackling "Alibaba And Forty Thieves" in Punjabi and Hindustani.

Huns' "Bramhachari" (in Marathi and Hindustani) can still be seen in Bombay and soon they will be realising some more double-version pictures, and, finally, a double-version picure had its "Mahurat" at Sagar Studios three days ago.

"Life of A Dancer"

This last-mentioned picture which is being produced in Bengali and Hindustani is tentatively titled "The Life of Dancer."

It will be the first Bengali picture to be produced in Bombay.

Appropriately enough the well-known dancer, Sadhana Bose, (who veritably took Bombay by storm last winter) plays the lead in both the versions. Her performance in "Abhinaya" (acclaimed by Calcutta press as the Best Bengali film of 1938) has won for her the distinction of the best Bengali Star of 1938.

The picture is being directed by Sadhana's husband, Modhu Bose. Another formidable combination like Himansu Rai and Devika Rani.

YAQUB, who directs as well as plays the lead in "Her Last Desire," at Minerva.

You may not have heard of Modhu Bose. But his is a well-known name in Bengali stage and screen circles. Under his capable direction, Calcutta Art Players came to be a force in the renaissance of the Bengali drama and dance.

He has made a mark in films, too. His "Abhinaya," in Bengali, starring Sadhana) has been running in Calcutta for the last 32 weeks.

The story of his new film has been written by the well-known Bengali dramatist, Manmath Ray. The Hindustani rendering is being done by W. Z. Ahmed. The songs, I understand, are being written by Pandit Sudershan.

Timir Baran Is Here

With Modhu Bose has come from Calcutta a band of Bengali artistes and musicians. These include Timir Baran the well-known Music Director, hitherto associated with New Theatres.

Introducing Modhu and Sadhona

The Boses—Modhu and Sadhana—whom I met the other day are modest folk who would rather talk about Bombay than about themselves. Modhu has particularly become fond of our City and thinks it has the right atmosphere for creative work. This, of course, will come as news to many local cynics.

Sadhana is more keen on dancing than on films and spends much time rehearsing the numbers. She has to dance in her new film. She does not want to make more than one picture a year. That, she says, is sufficient. Not many stars or producers would agree with that. But most of the long-suffering critics who have to see the same faces again and again would!

KESHAVRAO DHAIBER, in "Birth of Shivaji" at Central.

I Hear

That Bhavnani Productions have practically completed "Son of Zambo". That Huns Pictures' "A Bottle of Brandy" is being edited.

That Jairaj is likely to stay longer with Prakash, and that Pramila has also joined the same Studio, both to be co-starred in "Bijli".

That "Gharib Ka Lal" is the title of the next Jaybharat Movitone release.

That Barua is producing a Bengalifilm, "Rajah Jayanti," at New Theatres Studio.

That Aruna Pictures of Kolhapur are producing a Marathi film, "Netaji Palkar," and that following Prabhat's "Maza Mulga," Saraswati Studio are producing "Mazi Ladkei."

Khurshid, Mubarak and Nazir in a scene from Everest Picture's maiden production "Sitara," at the Imperial.

IN EZRA MIR'S NEW FILM AT IMPERIAL

"Sitara" And Her Gypsies Come To Town

(By Our Film Critic)

Gypsy life, by virtue of its being removed from the humdrum monotony of the civilized world, has always fascinated the imagination. Their peculiar independant existence, their wander-lust, their crude and unwritten but rigidly enforced code of laws—these factors have been the subject of many a story, play and film. As it usually happens, literary and cinematographic representation of their life has been romanticized beyond recognition and almost completely divorced from reality. Film-producers, in particular, have been guilty of sacrificing realism (which by itself could be powerfully dramatic) for the sake of "pictorial beauty." The result is that on the screen we often see poor Harijan or working class girls sporting coiffure, make-up and dress which may well be the envy of a millionaire's wife. Similar anachronisms are to be noticed in gypsy films. It is doubtful, for instance, if any gypsies wore such dresses, lived in such fine style and danced with such Mexican abandon as they do in "Sitara," the Ezra Mir production now showing at Imperial.

ESCAPISM 'PAR EXCELLENCE.'

But, then, few producers of gypsy pictures would really claim that their productions are a hundred per cent representation of gypsy life and ronment. In deed, the word 'gypsy' is not meant to connote and existing class of people. It stands for a certain bizarre atmosphere, picturesque and pagan, and above all else, romantic which appeals to the cine-goers by showing them something which is the very antithesis of their dull life. It is in the accepted traditions of escapist art—art which helps us to escape from inconvenient realities of life.

"Sitara" is an escapist picture but it is escapism "par excellence" and breathes that spirit of romance and gay abandon which is the essence of the finest gypsy dramas. Also it is competently produced, intelligently directed (except where some artistes have been given too much latitude for over-acting or where subtlety has been sacrificed for broad humour) and beautifully mounted. All in all, a tribute to the skil of Ezra Mir (who seems to be at his best when he wields a colourful and extravagant brush) and a worthy maiden offering of the Everest Pictures Corporation.

EXCELLENT ENTERTAINMENT

The theme is familiar, the daughter of a gypsy being brought up in the city and ultimately discovering, via romantic attachment to a gypsy, her real parentage. Round this central idea has been built a very long (though throughout interesting) story—indeed, one may say there is more than one story! The treatment sustains interest almost upto the very end so that one is hardly conscious that "Sitara" is an unusually long picture—even for India! Every known trick of clever cinematography has been used to pack it with entertainment—suspenseful melodrama, pathos, romance, comedy and music blending into a picture that is highly successfully entertainment.

BEAUTIFUL MUSIC.

Particular mention has to be made of the music in this picture. The background effects are excellent, achieving superb beauty on several occasions. The songs (sung by Ratan Bai, Khurshid and Nazir) are beautiful alike in composition and rendering. Indeed, these songs provide the mainstay of the picture and credit do to Rafiq-Ghaznavi the talented Music Director. Musically, "Sitara" can be rated very high in this season's releases—second only to "Dushman." But, somehow, I do not like the two choruses sung by the crowd of alleged co-eds. They struck me as being rather cheap and the same applies to their imitation—Lambeth walk antics, shouting "Hol" while running round the table.

Among the performances, I give highest marks to a very brief one—that of K. N. Singh. After seeing his consistently good work in "Baghban," "Industrial India" and now "Sitara", I am inclined to regard him as an actor with a great future. It is time some enterprising Director 'discovered' him and gave him a good break in a bigger role.

RE-DISCOVERED.

Khurshid (who, I believe, has already appeared in several minor pictures) may he said to have been "re-discovered" in this picture. She possesses considerable charm, is youthful and gay, and is particularly good in the lighter scenes. With a little more of finesse and restraint in her performance, she will be soon heading for stardom.

Ratan Bai, in an important but comparatively small role, is good in parts—sometimes almost recapturing the charm and naivete that had once sky-rocketed her to fame in "Yahudi ki Larki."

Nazir has done very well. He is appropriately gay and light-hearted though, one thinks, he was not tough enough for a gypsy. Those moustaches were too sleek and sophisticated.

Mubarak, the veteran, looks his part—the upright chief, the sincere though misunderstood friend, the strict but understanding father.

To sum up—"Sitara is a most delightful entertainment. Thanks, Ezra Mir, and good luck to Everest Pictures.

K. A. ABBAS.

K. N. SINGH, a promising young actor, who puts over a fine performance even in a small role in "Sitara."

BOMBAY FILM DIARY

CAPITOL: "Tumhari Jeet", Film Corporation of India's new picture starring Chhaya Devi, progressive story, good acting by principal star. (Third week).

CENTRAL: "Birth of Shivaji" Minerva picture in Marathi, featuring Ameena and Keshavrao Dhaiber, historical subject with patriotic appeal for Maharashtrians, good acting by Ameena, (Third week).

GLOBE: "Ratna Lutari", featuring Amina and Sultan Alam.

IMPERIAL: "Sitara," Everest Pictures maiden production. (See review on this page.)

V. H. DESAI, the inimitable comedian, provokes many a laugh in "Nav Jeevan" at Roxy.

KOHINOOR (Dadar): "Bramhachari", popular Huns' comedy starring Vinayak, and Meenakshi, transferred from Majestic now in 34th week.

KRISHNA: "Dushman," New Theatres fine film, starring Saigal, Leela Desai and Najmal Husain. Outstanding current release. Fine songs by Saigal. (Tenth week).

LAMINGTON: "Jungle King," Wadia's "jungle thriller" featuring Pramila and John Cavas. (Fourth week). Also topical newsreel of the marriage celebrations of Prince Shapoor of Iran with Princess Fauzie of Egypt.

MAJESTIC: "Daughter of the Marathas", Artists Combine's maiden film in Marathi, featuring Gangubai as a patriotic Amazon, defying her husband for the cause of her people. (Third week).

NOVELTY: "Bramhachari" in Hindi.

OPERA HOUSE: "Mother India" second Indian colour film, glorifying Indian motherhood. Sentimental appeal for women. Featuring Sharifa, Ghulam Mohd. Pramila, Sushila, etc. (14th week).

ROXY: "Nav-Jeevan," Bombay Talkies entertaining comedy starring Rama Shukul and Hansa. Excellent entertainment. (Fifth week).

SILVER: "Heer Sayal," in Panjabi, well-known romance of the Punjab. (Third week).

FILMS COMING SOON

N. T.'s "Bari Didi" And Ranjit's "Thokar"

Huns Announce "A Bottle Of Brandy"

Following the release of Everest Productions' "Sitara" at Imperial, several important films will shortly be released in Bombay.

New Theatres' new double-version picture "Bari Didi" starring Molina and Pahari Sanyal is booked for Roxy and will be shown after "Nav Jeevan."

Kardar's "Thokar".

At West End, the Ranjit Studio hope to release soon their "Thokar," directed by A. R. Kardar and starring Kumar and Madhuri. The picture is always running successfully in Northern India. It is expected to be one of the best 'hits' to come out of Ranjit Studio.

"A Bottle of Brandy"

Huns' Pictures contribution to the Prohibition campaign is "A Bottle of Brandy," which is now in the editing stage and will be shortly released in Bombay. The picture based on a story of Principal Atre, stars Vinayak and Meenakshi.

SOHRAB MODI AWARDED GOLD MEDAL

The All-India Cinema Reform League has awarded a gold medal to Mr. Sohrab Modi in appreciation of the public service rendered by his problematic picture "Divorce."

In their letter accompanying the token they write "After seeing Divorce, I am of the opinion, that the work which should have been undertaken by our present day leaders and social reformers has been most cleverly and artistically accomplished by you through your film "Divorce." The problem of Divorce is at present engaging the attention of our society and your fine presentation of this great problem is undoubtedly praiseworthy. You have most honestly and sincerely tried to grapple with this vital problem and it is gratifying to see that you have come out triumphant in your mission."

KUMAR, with Wastee and Charlie in "Thokar," shortly coming to West End.

"PATI-PATNI" TO BE RELEASED SHORTLY

The eternal triangle, the conflict of emotions when a man's heart is pulled in opposite directions by two women or a woman's by two men has provided the ground work for some of the greatest stories in the world.

But each author looks at the problem from a different angle and no one can make bold to say that all its manifold facets have yet been explored.

The story of General Film's next picture, "Pati-Patni", is built round the eternal triangle but the author and the director of the picture have dealt with it in such a manner that it adds lustre to his age old theme.

The incidents of the story are so realistic that they might almost be said to be taken from life. A young man sent to England by a doting father returns after duly finishing his legal training but his stay abroad has Westernised him and he loses touch with the young wife whom he has left behind. This in itself is tragedy enough but matters are complicated still further by a beautiful young widow in the offing, a member of the modern smart set, examples of which comes to our notice so very often. As regards the widow herself, things take another twist with the presence of a scoundrelly admirer who is prepared to go to any length to gain his ends.

Shobhana Smarth, whose performance in the leading role in "Industrial India," attracted praise, here appears in the role of the fashionable widow, a part for which she is eminently fit. There is no doubt that she will further enhance her already great and well-deserved reputation as an actress when "Pati-Patni" is released. Her acting portrays well the tremendous struggle that takes place in the breast of a young woman whom society has condemned to live a life devoid of many of its amenities when confronted with the luxuries and pleasures that her beauty can command.

Amina, who took the heroine's role in "Chandrarao More", the first picture of General Films Limited, is seen in "Pati-Patni" as the young and orthodox wife of the England returned Barrister. She offers as a magnificent foil to Shobhana Samarth and acis the role of the demure wife to the very life.

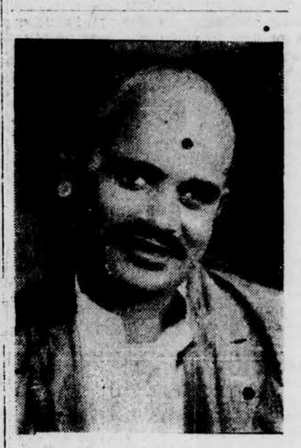
PRAMILA, in "Jungle King" at Lamington.

"SOHNI MAHIWAL"

Punjabi Film Shown At Crown

At the Crown Cinema this week is seen "Sohni Mahiwal", the popular Punjabi film based on the love story of Punjab which ranks with "Romeo and Juliet", "Laila and Majnnu" and other famous romances of the world.

Mumtaz Shanti and Mubarak, both popular singers of Punjab, play the leading roles in this picture.



MALWANKAR, in Huns Pictures' "A Bottle of Brandy," awaiting release.

Plea For Greater Equity To Masses

TASK FOR CONGRESS PARTY IN CORPORATION

Mathuradas Tricumji's Address To Progressive Group

"As we have iterated again and again, the Congress stands for the masses; and so it is essential that the amenities of civilised life are distributed to the masses with greater equity. There cannot be a concentration of privileges on the one hand and a concentration of hardships on the other."

Thus observed Mr. Mathuradas Tricumjee, Leader of the Congress Party in the Municipal Corporation, addressing a gathering of Indians and Europeans, at the Green's Hotel on Tuesday evening, under the auspices of the Indian Progressive Party.

The subject was: "CONGRESS IN CIVIC LIFE."

CONGRESS IN MAJORITY

Continuing Mr. Mathuradas, traced the history of the Nationalist Party in the Corporation and how the present Congress Party developed from the humble beginning made by the late Mr. V. J. Patel and his eight Nationalist followers to an undisputed majority with the support of the entire City. Referring to the momentous days of 1932 he said that the Congress candidates for the Corporation, who expected to enter the Municipality as city-fathers, were caught in the maelstrom of the civil disobedience movement, and went instead, to His Majesty's prisons as State guests.

The Congress would stand by its election promises and do everything that was humanly possible, but it was necessary to remember that goodwill and sound ideas alone were not enough to do constructive social work, in the absence of adequate financial support.

PLAGUE SPOTS

He laid special emphasis on the problem of housing the poor, and said that as Chairman of the Rent Enquiry Committee, he had first-hand knowledge of the hardships and sufferings of the poorer classes, who lived in unsanitary chawls, huts and corrugated sheds, where the air was often foul and sun's rays did not reach. Some of these houses, he characterised, as the plague spots of the city, and it was a matter of shame that any Municipality, which pretended to have the welfare of the people at heart, should allow them to disfigure the city.

These houses where human beings lived their 'crammed' lives were unfit to be used even as stables. It was too premature for him to raise the question in the Corporation just now, but the moment the Government published their recommendations about his submissions to them, the matter would be fully discussed in the Corporation.

He quoted statistics to show that 74 per cent of the City's population lived in one room tenements and the law allowed four persons to live in a room ten feet by ten. Compared to this a criminal under detention, got better living conditions. This, said Mr. Mathuradas, was an ironic commentary on the usefulness of being law-abiding citizens.

In this all important matter he hoped that the Government and the opposition would wholeheartedly co-operate with his party. This was only justice and humanity.

It was an unfortunate coincidence, he remarked, that since the municipal revenues were derived from landlords, the interest of the Corporation and the landlords was identical. But even this main revenue though it was directly derived from the landlords, was in fact paid by the tenant, as it was a part of the rent collected from him.

NEXT STEP

The next important progressive step of the party would be the introduction of Primary Education in all the Wards of the City, and he expected that the question would come up for consideration some time in May. In this, it was inexcusable to defer taking purposive action, on the ground that Governmental help was indispensable before any step could be taken. Such an argument could not be valid for a Corporation with the financial resources which Bombay Municipality commanded.

Other important benefits, engaging their immediate attention, were maternity, child welfare, and the milk supply of the City. Referring to the last item, the speaker said that even milk, which was essential to man from the cradle to the grave, was a source of exploitation to vested interests.

TOP-HEAVY ADMINISTRATION

Speaking about the top-heavy administrative staff the speaker said that the example taken was from the old bureaucractic Governments, which required highly paid I.C.S. men for all responsible posts. There were more than 25 officers in the Municipality getting more than a thousand rupees per month. This led to the subordinate staff being miserably underpaid to keep up some sort of balance in the expenditure. He characterised this as a piece of gross injustice, to say the least of it.

POSITIVE GOOD TO MASSES

Answering a few questions at the end of the lecture Mr. Mathuradas said that Prohibition was a positive good to the masses, and the fear of bootlegging could not be an argument not to legislate against drink. This was the same as saying that the Indian Penal Code was unnecessary because there were criminals and magistrates.

Efforts To Solve City's Beggar Problem

Home Minister Explains Scheme To Corporation Deputation

A deputation consisting of Mr. B. N. Karanjia, the Mayor of Bombay, Dr. Jethalal Vohra, Chairman of the Standing Committee, Mr. Mathooradas Tricamjee, Mr. Meyer Nissim, Dr. P. H. Meisheri, Mr. Jamnadas M Mehta, Mr. Nagindas T. Master, Mr. M. M. Killedar, Dr. Mrs. Malinibai Sukthankar, Dr. Sorab P. Mehta, Mr. M. D. Bhat, the Municipal Commissioner and Mr. Nadkarni, the Municipal Secretary, met the Hon. Mr. K. M. Munshi, the Home Minister, Government of Bombay, at the Secretariat on Tuesday afternoon and discussed the beggar problem in the City of Bombay.

At the outset the Mayor, Mr. B. N. Karanjia, explained the position of the Corporation so far as the beggar problem was concerned. He wanted that Government should take steps to tackle the beggar problem as early as possible.

THE CHEMBUR SCHEME.

The Hon. Mr. K. M. Munshi explained the scheme that had been worked out by the Government of Bombay for accommodating the destitute and delinquent children of Bombay. He said that Government had given 130 acres of land at Chembur and accommodation for about 400 children would be ready before long. According to the scheme Government would give two lakhs, the municipality was expected to give a lakh, and the public were to contribute a lakh, out of which 70 thousand had already been collected.

As regards adult beggars, the Home Minister said the problem would be taken on hand next year. As a result of a beginning having been made with regard to children, it was possible that many of those who were in the beggar trade would be scared away. If necessary, next year legislation would be brought to tackle the beggar problem, but before that is done, it was necessary for Government to find the wherewithal to accommodate the beggars who would be picked up. Mere prohibition of begging in the streets of Bombay was not going to help to solve the problem.

REPLY TO MEHTA.

Continuing the Home Minister said that if the Corporation was prepared to co-operate with the Government, then it would be possible to remove the child beggars from the streets of Bombay which would enable later the picking up of adult beggars, if necessary through legislation.

Replying to Mr. Jamnadas Mehta, about the childless beggars, the Home Minister said that it would not be difficult to put through a Bill to tackle adult beggars, but that problem would arise and could be easily tackled only when the child problem had been properly dealt with.

Mr. Mathooradas Tricamjee, Mr. Meyer Nissim and others suggested that the question of tackling the adult beggar problem should be taken up hand in hand with the child beggar problem. The Home Minister said that neither the Government nor the municipality were prepared to suddenly set apart a few lakhs of rupees annually for this purpose.

PROPOSAL OF WORK-HOUSE.

Some of the members of the deputation referred to the report of Mr. Starte, and suggested the starting of a work-house in the city of Bombay and wanted to know as to how far Government was prepared to help.

The Home Minister said that if the Corporation wanted the Government to examine that scheme also simultaneously, he personally had no objections to that being done. He personally was of the view that once the beggar children problem was effectively solved, the adult beggar problem could easily be solved.

The Mayor thanked the Home Minister and said that a report of the discussion would be placed before the Corporation and the decision of the latter body could be conveyed to the Government.

TRIAL OF RAJGURU DHURENDRA SHASTRI

Statements Of 180 Out Of 527 Recorded

GULBARGA, April 25.

The trial of Rajguru Dhurendra Shastri, the Fourth Dictator of Aryan Satyagraha and 527 others arrested with him commenced this morning in the Central Jail before Mr. Abdulla Saheb Munsiff Magistrate.

A dozen clerks of the Court were kept busy nearly the whole day in merely obtaining signatures of individual satyagrahis to letters of brief statements to the effect that they came into the State to do Vedic Dharma propaganda work in the State and pleading not guilty to three charges preferred against them of trying to disturb public tranquillity of defying orders of the Police in refusing to disperse and of taking out procession without permission.

Rajguru Shastri and other leaders of the jathas were given chairs while the Satyagrahis were seated in lines the whole length of 209 feet by 25 feet Hall formerly used as a workshop.

Mr. Abdul Gani, Police Inspector, who remanded to custody all the satyagrahis was the chief witness who deposed as to the circumstances leading to the arrests narrated how they came by special train marched into the State territory carrying flags and shouting slogans.

The trial proceedings will probably conclude on Thursday as statements of 180 satyagrahis have been recorded to-day.

Mr. Sesharao Vakil of Milanga (Nizam's State) and 67 other satyagrahis all hailing from the State were sentenced by the same Magistrate to 18 months' rigorous imprisonment, including Rs. 25 fine. It is stated that two more were let off on their parents making representations.—United Press

LIGHT SHOWERS AND THUNDER STORMS

Poona Weather Report

POONA, April 25.

A western disturbance caused scattered light showers in North-West Frontier. A few thundershowers also occurred in Assam, and Madras Deccan, with scattered light thundershowers in South Madras.

Temperatures were markedly above normal in and around Assam. The chief amounts of rainfall are Silchar three quarters of an inch; Port Blair and Dibrugarh half an inch; Parachinar and Kurnol, quarter of an inch.

Forecast:—Until the evening of April 26.—Scattered light showers will occur in North-West Frontier and Kashmir. Scattered thundershowers will also occur in South Deccan, Mysore, South Madras and Assam.—A.P.

Sharma For China And Japan

SIMLA, April 25.

Mr. P. D. Sharma, Editor of "United Press" at Headquarters of the Government of India has left for Calcutta this evening. From there he will fly to Singapore. He intends to visit Siam, the Federated Malay States, China and Japan. He is expected back after two and half months.—United Press

U. P. ASSEMBLY REJECTS UPPER HOUSE AMENDMENT

Two Annas Tax On Motor Spirits Retained

LUCKNOW: April 25.

The U.P. Assembly to-day rejected the amendment of the Upper House to the sales of Motor Spirits Taxation Bill reducing the rate of levy from two annas to one anna and six pies per gallon, but accepted two other amendments, one of which was verbal, while the other extended the period for filing a suit or prosecution from four to six months from the date of the act complained of.

Opposing the Council's amendment, the Premier said it really was distasteful to ask the Assembly to register its difference of opinion with the Upper House, but it appeared to him that the change was made by the Council not in the public interest as the profits would be utilised for the construction and improvement of roads which would help motor traffic.

The Assembly also passed the Police Amendment Bill with a minor amendment limiting the period of limitation for application for compensation in respect of death or grievous hurt or loss of or damage to property caused by the first day of April 1939, to four months.

In the course of his reply, the Premier regretted that the necessity for imposing punitive police had arisen, but they could not shut their eyes to the reality of the situation.

He, however, pointed out that it was not absolutely necessary for enforcement of claims for compensation that punitive police should be imposed and such claims could be made without the area being declared disturbed or dangerous.

The Revenue Minister introduced the U. P. Moneylenders' Bill.

The House thereafter adjourned until May 5, when non-official business will be taken up.—A.P.

INTERNATIONAL GYMNASTIC FESTIVAL

Invitation To India From Stockholm

LAHORE, April 25.

An official invitation on behalf of H. R. H. Prince Gustaf Adolf, President of the Lingiad Committee of Sweden, to India to participate in the forthcoming World Physical Culture Congress and the International Gymnastic Festival to be held at Stockholm in July this year has been received by Mr. H. A. Soofi of the Government College, Lahore.

This Congress is to be held in connection with the Centenary Celebrations of P. H. Ling, the father of modern physical education. Fifty-four nations are sending their representatives to the Congress. The Gymnastic teams of twenty-five nations are participating in the gymnastic festival.—A. P.

ASSAM KISAN LEADERS ARRESTED

Breach Of Orders Under Cr. P. C. Section 145

SYLHET, April 25.

Lala Saradindu Dey, General Secretary, Surma Valley Provincial Kisan Samity and Member of the A.I.C.C. Jitendra Kumar Bhattacharyya, a Congress leader of Sylhet and thirteen others were arrested to-day in connexion with Bhatipara Satyagraha as a protest against the promulgation of an order under section 145 Cr. P.C. prohibiting tenants and landlords from harvesting their crops.

Yesterday, one Congress M.L.A. and ten others were arrested in this connexion.—A. P.

Tribute To Bengal Press By Congress Secretary

CALCUTTA. April 24.

"I desire to take this opportunity to convey our grateful thanks to the Bengal press for their splendid services to the Congress cause. They have always ungrudgingly published Congress news and reports and helped us immensely in propagating the Congress ideal in our province. But I shall be failing in my duty if I do not say that, of late, I have perceived a drift and a growing tendency on the part of some of our 'nationalist' papers towards communalism. I am fully conscious of the fact that they are not the organs of the Congress. However, I feel impelled to appeal to them not to drag themselves down into a narrow and deceptive mire of national annihilation."

Thus declares Moulavi Ashrafuddin Ahmed Chowdhury, Secretary of the Bengal Provincial Congress Committee, in the course of his annual report which was placed before the general meeting of the B.P.C.C. held yesterday.

The 1940 Olympic Games And India

Sports Jottings

(By Observer)

The 1940 Helsinki Olympic Games are fast approaching. India, if funds permit, is to participate ,and I presume a team of athletes and wrestlers will leave these shores.

Ordinarily this is well, but have we any real first class athletes or amateur wrestlers to put up any kind of show against the top notchers of the world which considerable thought is always given to the "bundobust" of taking out a team for the World Olympic meet, the real business of getting a side in trim for the games is always an after thought. Athletes are left to themselves to go their own happy way showing their prowess at district, provincial or inter-provincial competitions, and those who come into the limelight through performance or influence are grouped together, and India's team is formed. They may or may not get two to three months' training.

NEED OF TRAINING

No nation can fall on a team worthy of international competition thus, a crop of athletes do not spring up overnight untended. It requires 4 to 5 years to bring on a potential to world-standard. India has not done this and our 1939 champions will go out to uphold India's glory!—I would say to be the amusement of nations. India's representatives will not take a place in the first dozen or so.

I come forward with this assertion after comparing India's most recent timings with existing and acknowledged records of other climes.

THE BETTER WAY

If the Indian Olympic Association hope for miracles, then they may expect results. Would it not be far better, if funds were collected and the money spent on bringing on promising youngsters for the Olympic Games that follow the 1940 meet, instead of wasting a collection on a team of no class?

Those who support sport financially surely do not want to give a glorious picnic away from India to a number of I. O. A. officials and a team that can but bring ridicule on this country. The money is given in good faith—that it will be used for the improvement of the present Indian standard. A trip to Helsinki will not do this. A little experience might accrue, but the price is too much to pay.

NEED OF COACH

A front-rank coach is the crying need. He must take up the young material, solely on merit, and develop this. Then alone, India is more likely to have a say in the Olympic Games. The L. T. A. in England is taking cognizance of what in sports parley has come to be known as "Shamateur". They have become inquisitive as to how many tennis stars live without regular jobs and whether their bank pass-books permit solely and wholly a tennis life.

The L. T. A. are becoming about the custom of giving vouchers in lieu of a cup. And how are these vouchers used? These vouchers, acccording to the strict interpretation of the laws of the game, have to be exchanged by the amateur for a prize that he chooses. It is an act of professionalism to tender these vouchers in payment of a hotel bill or to exchange them for rackets and tennis clothes. If the suspicion persist that these vouchers are improperly used the L. T. A. might legislate that winners of tournaments must accept trophies selected by the various tournament committees.

WANTED CHANGE

I was told once—it is not my assertion—that a lot of trophies in India find their way back to the firm that supply them. This is bad. Further, I was informed, that a number of touring players make a profit out of expenses paid them. If I am wrong, I apologise to our amateurs But, if there is truth behind my information, then the Indian tennis authorities must pull up the "Shamateur", lest the abuse spreads and true amateurism is marred.

While on the subject, I must admit, that our tennis players are the least offenders where the amateur laws are concerned.

Veiled professionalism is much indulged in, in cricket, football and hockey in this country. I will deal with my allegation at a later date.

CRICKET

Walter Hammond, as an amateur, is to lead England in the three Test matches against the West Indians. In English domestic cricket he has promised to captain Gloucestershire. Hammond as a leader has been a success. He has earned the reputation that he can get the best out of the players under him.

Other new County captains this year are: Surrey—Wells; Middlesex—Ian Peebles. Hampshire—G. R. Talyor.

The coming season in England will find the following professionals absent from County cricket: H. Larwood, Frank Woolley, George Geary, Paine, Herman.

"OLD BARGES"!

(From Our Own Correspondent)

BERLIN, April 12.

"Old Barges" is the description of Britain's Mediterranean Fleet coined to-day by Dr. Goebbels's newspaper "Angriff".

The fleet's five battleships, says the paper, are "veterans of shipping, launched between 1913 and 1916. Only the 'Warspite' and the 'Valiant' have been modernised recently".

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OUR READERS' VIEWS

Goans And Prohibition

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—Only a small section of Goans, whose vested interests are involved, is against prohibition. A Parsee Professor with the assistance of a Goan Professor of Economics attempted recently to organise a Goan mass meeting in support of the agitation of the Parsee community against prohibition. But this attempt failed because the bulk of the Goan community in Bombay recognises the benefits of prohibition and will not join any such demonstration or will tolerate any foolish campaign in its name. To say that Goans are against prohibition is foolish though there are Goans, a large number of them, accustomed to the "wee Drop" but they realise that it is not doing them any good. The advent of prohibition is being welcomed by Goans with enthusiasm and the Government of Bombay may rest assured that they will have no opposition from the Goan community to their policy of prohibition Goans have ever been lawabiding people in Bombay.

In the ointment of this humanitarian legislation, the only fly is the resulting unemployment which will affect about 4,000 Goans serving in hotels and bars. Their case stands on a footing entirely different from the case of the capitalists who draw fat profits out of the business that ruins workmen's home. The Government of Bombay were recently informed about the possibility of unemployment of Goans on this score by the Goa Congress Committee and it is expected that the Government will consider the Goan case with sympathy. But it is not fair to expect the Government to assume the whole responsibility in this matter. The real function of the Goan Emigrants' Fund Committee is to dispense relief. It is up to it to come to the assistance of the Goan unemployed. The Committee cannot plead lack of funds as the Government of Portuguese India subsidises it to the extent of a lakh of rupees a year.—Yours etc.,

J. P. LOBO.

Matric Algebra Paper

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—Thousands of students and their guardians will heave a sigh of relief on the assurance given by the Vice Chancellor that the authorities are taking necessary steps to see that the students do not suffer on account of this extremely difficult and out of the way paper. Perhaps it is necessary to say that one question about "graphs" was impossible to adjust according to the given unit on the examination paper and naturally the marks allotted to this question being comparaively more most of the students concentrated their attention for a pretty long time only to find to their utter disappointment that they had wasted much of their precious time in solving a ridiculous example and it was only about half an hour before the closing time that the University examiners were 'kind' enough to instruct students to locate as many points as they could on the paper. It shows I am afraid that the examiners are less concerned with the welfare of students that with their enthusiasm to show off their own superior wisdom.

In my opinion re-examination is the only course left open to the university that will do full justice to the candidates. I would also suggest that such over enthusiastic examiners should be debarred from being appointed as such.

Yours, etc.

"A MATRICULATE"

Bombay.

Teji-Mandi Transaction

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—We have noticed the statement reported by "The Bombay Chronicle" in its issue of Saturday, April the 22nd, page 16, to have been made by Mr. Ratilal Gandhi in connection with Mr. Anderson Clayton and Teji Mandi transactions.

In view of the fact that we are not a British firm, that we know of no cotton man named "Anderson Clayton", and consequently of no tea party given to him by the East India Cotton Association, or to any of the Partners or Managers of our firm and that no responsible person connected with Anderson, Clayton and Co., has ever expressed approval of Teji Mandi operations, the statements attributed by Mr. Ratilal Gandhi to Mr. Anderson Clayton should not be attributed to us or to any of our partners.—Yours, etc.,

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Grievances Of Haj Pilgrims

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—The Haj pilgrims who returned to India last month by the s.s. "Jehangir" have brought with them a ship load of complaints and grievances which exhibit the terrible state of affairs prevailing in some of the "white-managed" ships that carry on the Haj traffic of our country. Ordinarily these complaints go unnotified and un-heeded, because they emanate mostly from that class of passengers who are known to be the most unsophisticated people that take all their troubles and hardships innocently as a matter of every day life and whom it is always considered justified to exploit. This year it is not to be.

The most serious complaint made is that the steamer s.s. "Jehangir" which was scheduled to carry 992 deck passengers was stuffed with 1,067 heads, a 7 1|2 per cent. overload. In a space of 6 feet by 8 feet which is usually allotted to one man, as many as 11 persons were stored up and had to pass a week to 10 days in such veritable black holes. The menial staff cared for its own comfort and convenience. If any of the passengers endeavoured to occupy a more human space, the menial staff would come down upon them and rudely unseat them.

The food served was unwholesome and insufficient. Stale vegetable was cooked in bad vegetable ghee and passed on. Pickles served sometimes contained worms in them. The loaves of bread supplied in the morning were so hard that even horses and goats would not touch them. There was scarcity of drinking water; at times even sea-water was not available.

These complaints have been represented to the members of the Haj Committee and it is to be hoped that proper steps will be taken to remedy these grievances.—Yours, etc.,

MIRZA ASGHAR HOSAIN.

Wanted Market For Sewri

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—If there is any part of Bombay which is without its chief necessity, it is the Sewri-Jackeria Bunder area. This thickly populated labour area has no market of its own. A few fisher women squat on absolutely dirty premises which have no shade and sell fish which is unfit for human consumption. Secondly, the vegetables sold here are in such a rotten state that they deserve to be thrown into gutters. The opening of the Municipal Market will soon put an end to this evil as the Municipal Market means strict supervision over the articles sold there. I need not harp on this importance of providing this part with a Municipal Market since the good that will accrue from it, will be immense from the point of view of public health. May I therefore earnestly appeal to our corporators to attend to this long-felt want of ours.—Yours, etc.,

S. G. SAMANT.

Sewri.

Dual System

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—It will be seen from the debate in the Bombay Legislative Council published in Legislative Council Debates Vol. XXXV Part XXIV (17th October 1932) that almost all the non-official members of the Council who participated in the debate supported my resolution recommending Government to do away with the cumbrous procedure and the Dual System according to which a firm of solicitors and two counsels are required to be engaged by a litigant in the Bombay High Court and to adopt a simple and cheaper system., etc. During the debate it was pointed out by some members that the system was exeedingly costly and prohibitive and that existed in England alone. It was not in existence in any other country. The then Home Member, Mr. W. F. Hudson, (now Sir Frank Hudson), in his speech told the House that this was a matter that lay entirely within the discretion of the High Court and Government would invite the attention of those whom it concerned to the fact that such a resolution was discussed before the House. The resolution was then withdrawn.

After that I received from Mr. R. M. Maxwell the then Home Secretary (now Sir Reginald Maxwell, Home Member, Government of India), a copy of a letter sent to Government by the Prothonotary and the Senior Master, High Court, in which it was stated "I am directed by the Hon'ble the Chief Justice and Judges to state that Their Lordships assume that the Resolution of Rao Bahadur Bole refers to the practice of engaging two counsels on the original side and that the impression among the members that the engagement of two counsels is obligatory of each side in every case is altogether erroneous.... There has never been a rule of the High Court that two counsel must be employed in every case but the Bombay Bar Association has a rule under which no member of the Bar is to accept a single brief in any matter in which two counsel are allowed on taxation.

Nothing was said about the solicitors in this letter and the matter rested there.

It is therefore a matter of great satisfaction that the Government took up the question and decided to do away with the Dual System which was no doubt a long standing grievance.—Yours, etc.,

S. K. BOLE.

Dadar.

AFTER A FATAL ACCIDENT NEAR JUBBULPORE: A Police Officer studying the situation.

Bengal Scheduled Castes' Appeal To Muslim League Chief

SEQUEL TO DISAPPOINTMENT WITH HUQ MINISTRY

CALCUTTA, April 23.

The correspondence passed between Mr. P. R. Thakur, a prominent Scheduled Caste member of the Bengal Legislative Assembly, and Mr. M. A. Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League, regarding the attitude of the Huq Ministry towards the Scheduled Castes of Bengal, is now available.

Mr. Thakur, in his letter, pointed out that during the Budget grant discussion on education in the Bengal Legislative Assembly, the Hon. Mr. Fazlul Huq, the Chief Minister (Education), openly refused to grant a sum of Rs. 5,00,000 as an annual recurring grant to the cause of Scheduled Castes' education in Bengal.

WHAT HUQ SAID

He also drew the attention of Mr. Jinnah to the following remark made by the Premier in refusing the grant:—

"If I am to ear-mark Rs. 5 lakhs for Scheduled Castes alone, I will have to demand for the Muslims—they are thirty times as big a community,—Rs. 1,50,00,000 simply for the cause of Muslim education."

Mr. Thakur observed that this remark had brought disappointment among the Scheduled Castes, and "they have lost faith in the Bengal Premier."

He further observed: "You know very well that there are five crores of people in Bengal, of which the Scheduled Castes form nearly one crore, and the Muslims a little over 2 1|2 crores. So you see that the Hon'ble the Chief Minister's statement is not only not correct, but also absolutely baseless. Under no circumstances, this five lakhs can be considered to be too large a sum for the spread of education amongst a crore of people, 95 per cent of whom are illiterate."

DISAPPOINTED

Referring to utterances of Mr. Jinnah that "Muslims are in a position to put up a fight for their legitimate demands, but the Scheduled Castes not being in such a position require more weightage from the Government than the Muslims," and that he was always with a minority community in any province, Mr. Thakur said: "These were the statements which animated the Scheduled Castes in Bengal with much hope, and they expected that justice would be done to them by the Huq Ministry. But the recent dealings of the Hon'ble Mr. Fazlul Huq have shattered their hopes, and they are now awaiting your final decision regarding this five lakhs of rupees being made an annual recurring grant to them.

"You know as well that according to clause 9 of the Poona Pact, which was accepted by His Majesty's Government in England, the Scheduled Castes can claim a decent sum every year from the provincial revenues, simply for their education."

APPEAL TO LEAGUE CHIEF

Concluding Mr. Thakur hoped that the Scheduled Castes would get fair justice from the President of the Muslim League.

JINNAH'S REPLY

The following is the text of Mr. Jinnah's reply:—

"I am in receipt of your letter dated 30th March, 1939, and I will look into this matter referred to in your letter, and do whatever is possible. But you must remember that I have no power to enforce and carry out what, I might think, should be done or should not be done so far as the Bengal Ministry is concerned. If you and others were in the Party you could influence them."—United Press.

If Next European War Breaks Out—

Soviet Force Will Be Deciding Factor In Victory

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON (By Air Mail). April 18.

Victory over Hitler, Mussolini and the Japanese is certain—but only if the 'full' strength of Russia is thrown into the balance on the side of Britain, France and the smaller Powers.

The plan put forward in some quarters to make use of the Russian Air Force is not 'alone' sufficient

This warning is contained in "The Military Strength of the Powers," by Max Werner, a masterly book published in Air Mail week by Gollancz (7s. 6d.). It is a publication that ironically coincides with belated discussions by Britain and France on the best way Russia can help against German aggression.

"The value of an ally in the next war will be measured by the degree to which it is able to launch vast resources and a mass army into the arena at once," writes the author. "Only the Red Army is in a position to do this."

"The Little Entente (Rumania, Yugoslavia) and Poland were quite able to give France valuable flank support against a disarmed Germany, but they are not in a position to offer any real resistance against a heavily-armed Germany."

THE TIME FACTOR

The advantages which allies of Soviet Russia would obtain from military alliance are, the author believes, a certainty of successful defence and in the unshot certain victory.

An Anglo-Russian military alliance would be of greater value to Britain than a mere pledge of support from the Soviet air force.

The situation of Britain in the Far East, where the threat is from Japan, demands this alliance.

Britain requires the assistance of the Red Army because she needs more time than France to adapt her industries to war production and to raise a mass army.

In the event of Germany's becoming involved in a war against a defensive coalition of European Powers her policy, says the author, is to counteract the military superiority of her opponents by a sudden invasion.

ITALY COULD NOT LAST

But, the author points out "in the event of a war on several fronts, they (Germany) will have to contend with a Red Army on

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Demand For Release Of Bengal Prisoners

Miss Kumaramangalam Indicts Huq Ministry Methods

(From Our Own Correspondent)

LONDON, April 18.

In moving the adoption of the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Rajni Patel, at the 3rd annual conference of the Federation of Indian Student Societies in Europe on Saturday last at the Friends House, Euston Road, London, N. W. in the presence of Mr. Palme Dutt and a larger gathering of Indian and English students, Miss Parvati Kumaramangalam, from Oxford (daughter of Dr. Subharoyan, Madras Minister) made an eloquent appeal for the release of political prisoners, particularly the so-called Terrorists:

"This conference expresses its indignation against the policy of the Government of Bengal of still keeping a large number of political convicted prisoners in gaols against the public opinion all over India. Considering that our national movement has reached a stage where the so-called Terrorist movement is an improbable phenomenon and also that these prisoners themselves expressly abjured the path of terrorism, this conference most emphatically demands their immediate release and restoration of full civil liberty to them."

Miss Kumaramangalam said that a year ago all the political prisoners were repatriated from the Andamans. Even the reactionary and puppet Government of Bengal was faced to join the Congress Provincial Governments in repatriating these prisoners. But whereas the Congress Ministries released all such prisoners, the Government of Bengal brushed aside the popular demand for their release in utter disregard of public opinion and in complete violation of the election pledges of Mr. Haq, the Prime Minister of Bengal. Openly, these prisoners expressed their renunciation of faith in the Terrorist ideology and demanded release as a matter of right and not by way of clemency.

MILITARY TRIBUNAL

Many of these prisoners were tried by a sort of military tribunal set up in Bengal during the reign of terror under Sir John Anderson's regime during those stormy days in Bengal", declared Miss Kumaramangalam. Several thousands of detenues who were thrown into the concentration camps without trial have been released and there has been no sign of recrudescence of the Terrorist Movement. These detenus also had been regarded as dangerous by the Government, and if their release has not threatened the so-called peace of Bengal, there is no reason why the others should not also be released."

BENGAL GOVT. VINDICTIVE

"The underlying policy of keeping them in jail is one of vindictiveness of the worst character. The whole Indian people, including the students have condemned this perpetuation of the Anderson policy. They are also convinced by the activities of the recently released political prisoners in the Congress Provinces that the Bengal prisoners would not go back to the method of sporadic terrorism. Some time back, the prisoners threatened to go on hunger-strike, but on Gandhiji's request they did not actually begin their fast; the negotiations between Gandhiji and the Government of Bengal have apparently failed. The only way now to effect their release is by strengthening public opinion and making it too forceful for the Government of Bengal to resist.

"Almost all these prisoners have already served terms of imprisonment ranging from 3 to 14 years, and many of them are diseased and physical wrecks. There are about 200 of them, including a few girls, in various jails in Bengal. To deceive public opinion, the Government of Bengal have released a small number of them who would have been released within six months in normal course of after expiry of their full period of penal servitude. But the number of prisoners released is negligible in comparison with those still suffering from the unprovoked treatment of the Government. There are two principal reasons why we, members of the Federation of Indian Student Societies in Europe, should signify our sympathy for these political prisoners."

"Firstly, as students who enjoy the fullest possible freedom and benefit enormously by this, and secondly, as youth who advocate democratic rights and liberties for all people. It is on these grounds that I would ask you all to give your fullest support to this resolution."

The resolution was passed unanimously after several other Indian students, including Mr. Amiya Bose, son of Mr. Sarat Bose, had spoken in support of it.

It was resolved to forward a copy of the resolution to the Prime Minister of Bengal and to the secretary of the Bengal Provincial Congress Committee.

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a war footing of perhaps 300 divisions, supported by between 8,000 and 10,000 aeroplanes and between 10,000 and 12,000 tanks."

Of Italy the author writes:

"At sea Italy does not represent a decisive factor .... the striking power of the Italian army is not very great. The Italian air arm could launch a dangerous 'initial blow', but it could not be maintained at full strength in the event of a long war.

".. Italo-German air arms... measured against the combined air forces of a collective security block as a whole (to which not only Great Britain and France, but also the Soviet Union would belong) are far inferior in strength ... Italy does not occupy a key position in European affairs."

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Employment Of "Dufferin" Cadets

Dow's Statement Creates Trouble: Governing Body To Address India Govt.

The remarks of Mr. Dow, Commerce Secretary to the Government of India during a recent debate in the Council of State, viz., that "people sometimes are apt now to talk as if the object of the "Dufferin" Training Ship was to train men not for the Indian Mercantile Marine but for the British Mercantile Marine and to make a grievance of it if the British Mercantile Marine do not take these people to train" came in, it is understood, for severe criticism at the meeting of the Governing Body of the I.M.M.T.S. "Dufferin" held on Monday evening.

The Governing Body decided to address a letter to the Government of India requesting them to let them know whether their policy in regard to the employment of 'Dufferin' cadets as officers had undergone any change and was in consonance with the views expressed by the Commerce Secretary the Hon'ble Mr. Dow.

The Governing Body also decided to request the Government of India to let them know whether they do not consider it the duty of the shipping companies trading on the coasts of India, Burma and Ceylon at any rate to employ in as large a number as possible the cadets of the Training Ship 'Dufferin' when duly qualified.

Mr. N. R. Pillai, Joint Secretary to the Commerce Department who presided at the meeting assured the Members that the policy of the Government of India in regard to the employment of Indian cadets by the British shipping concerns had not undergone any change but despite that assurance, the Members insisted that a letter should be written to the Government of India and that they should be requested to clarify their policy in that connection in unmistakable manner.

Another important question as to who should be invited to preside over the Prize Day function in 1939 resulted in a heated discussion, particularly as the letter addressed by Mr. Master to the Secretary to the Governing Body on the subject was not put even on the Agenda of the Meeting. It was only after the strong expression of views at the meeting on the question that the President decided to allow Mr. Walchand Hirachand to move his motion, viz. that Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel be invited to preside at the Annual Prize Day function for the year 1939. Mr. Walchand's proposition was seconded by Mr. Gordhandas G. Morarji.

Sir Muhammad Yakub moved that the Hon'ble Sir Muhammad Zafrullah Khan and failing him, Sir Purshotamdas Thakurdas be invited to preside on the occasion. Both the propositions were put separately to vote. Three people voted for Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and four including the Chairman voted for the Commerce Member, while the Director of Public Instruction, the Vice-Chancellor of the Bombay University and Mr. Kaikobad Dinshaw remained neutral.—United Press.

"OUR SELF-RESPECT OUTRAGED"

Society Of Accountant And Auditors' Letter To Govt. Of India

Protesting against the Government's scheme of elective principle into the Indian Accountancy Board the Indian Society of Accountants and Auditors have addressed a letter to the Government of India, from which the following extracts are given:—

"The Committee of the Society have considered Notification of the Government of India, Department of Commerce, No. 9-A (3)/37, dated the 11th March 1939, on the subject mentioned above, and was communicated our views to your Government.

In the considered opinion of our Committee the most objectionable feature of the whole scheme is that mentioned in draft rule 49, para (1), clause (a), and draft rule 49-A, para (3), where in it is stated that "Approved Accountants" (that is to say, practising accountants who are permitted by the Government at its discretion to train articled clerks for the "R.A." diploma) only will be eligible for nomination and election to the Board. As stated clearly before now in our letter dated the 2nd July 1938 on the same subject our Committee are emphatically against this retrograde feature of the whole scheme. The Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly which considered the Bill for the Indian Companies (Amendment) Act, 1930, added a proviso to section 144 (2) and suitably amended section 144 (2B) at the instance of this Society the spirit of which is to present any discrimination between practitioners and non-practitioners which is now sought to be made by the Government indirectly under the Rules. Our Committee note with satisfaction that the Indian accountancy profession generally has condemned this feature of the proposed scheme which, if finally incorporated in the scheme, will debar about 88 per cent of the total strength of the accountancy profession in India from being elected or nominated on the Board. They also note that a number of Chambers of Commerce and other commercial bodies and associations in the country have likewise rejected in no uncertain terms this particular feature of the Government's proposal. Our Committee, therefore, hope that the Government will reconsider their proposal and will not restrict election and nomination to the Board to a handful of accountants who are appointed by the Government themselves at their pleasure for the purpose only of training articled clerks. The Committee suggest instead that any Registered Accountant of (say) five year's standing shall be eligible for election or nomination to the Board as the case may be irrespective of whether he is practising or not, and in the latter case whether he is serving in a private firm or a company or under Government or a local authority.

The entire profession strongly feels that owing to the aforesaid feature of the proposed scheme, their self-respect is wantonly outraged by the Government who appear to have been misguided by certain practitioners assuming to have vested interests who have been appointed by the Government as members of the present nominated Accountancy Board. If the Government of India desire to appraise the opinion of the profession in the country, then our Committee suggest that the Government should take a ballot of all Registered Accountants on this particular feature of the scheme against which there has been so much agitation and opposition since the last over six months."

New Girgaum Congress Council

The Jt. Hon. Secretary, G. D. C. C. writes:—

As per report of the Returning Officer, the following 25 persons are declared to be duly elected to the Managing Council of the Girgaum District Congress Committee for the year 1939:—

Messrs. Raj Bahadur Singh 4,920, S.D. Dongre 3,954, P. S. Nair 3,686, R. K. Prabhu 3,183, A. V. Chaudhari 3,159, R. M. Desai 2,916, N.V. Desai 2,853, G.N. Gudal 2,703, R.S. Padbidri 2,606, V.M. Kande 2,556 and B. K. Gholap 2,395, Miss Hirabai Bhatwadekar 2,271, Messrs. K. G. Lotankar, S. Kalyanpurkar G. Lotankar 2,233, S. Kalyanpurkar 2,199, R. K. Kelkar 2,127, C.V. Varad 2,108, M.G. Samant 1,927 and Y.K. Khadilkar 1,924, Smt. Sitabai Padbidri 1,921, Messrs. D. R. Gharpure 1,850, N.L. Upadhyaya 1,832, K.A. Rai 1,719, N.J. Manjrekar 1,714, R.M. Kapadia 1,648 and S. R. Wajge 1,569.

Basav Jayanthi At Davangere

(From A Correspondent.)

DAVANGERE, April 25.

The Jayanthi of Sri Basaveswar was celebrated here on the 22nd and 23rd instant. The photo of Sri Basaveswar was taken in procession. A 9special feature of the procession was the National Flag.

Nearly 10,000 people were freely fed. Arrangements had also been made at Sri Bakreswaraswami Mutt to hear the broadcast speech from Madras by Sriman Sadasivayah, on the life and message of Sri Basaveswar.

BUDDHIST WAY TO WORLD PEACE

Vijayalaxmi Opens Dharamshala At Kushinagar

(From A Correspondent.)

GORAKHPUR, April 24.

The opening ceremony of the Dharamshala at Kushinagar, where Buddha attained Mahaparnirvan built at a cost of Rs. 40,000 was performed by Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit, Minister, Health and Local Self-Government U. P. The ceremony was attended by a gathering of 30,000, including Buddhist monks from Siam, Ceylon, Burma Cumbodia, Tibet and China.

Mrs. Vijayalaxmi said: India should extend the hand of fellowship to those countries where teaching of Buddha still survives and thus try to form one great brotherhood for international peace and goodwill. Before proceeding to Kushinagar, the Minister performed the opening ceremony of the Gorakhpur Khaddar Bhandar, where she sold Khadi worth Rs. 2,200 in half an hour.

Good Work Of Indian Education Society

The importance of primary education in laying the foundation of a nation was stressed by Mr. J. C. Setalvad, President, of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, while presiding over the prize distribution of the Indian Education Society's Special Primary School at Dadar on Saturday last.

The report of the school showed that it began with 40 pupils in 1935 and had at present over 400 pupils. A programme of dialogues, songs and dances was gone through. After distributing the prizes, the President delivered a short speech in which he congratulated the Society on the good work it had been doing in the North of Bombay.

Brisk Preparations For Panchmahal Youths' Conference

(From Our Correspondent).

GODHRA, (By Mail.)

Brisk preparations are going on for the forthcoming Panchmahals Rewakantha Youths' Conference to be held at Godhra on 29th and 30th April under the presidentship of Shrimati Satyavatidevi.

A huge pandal is being erected in Jawahar Chowk and 130 delegates have already been elected for the Conference. Propaganda meetings are being arranged at Halol, Kaalol, Dereal and Rabod which will be addressed by Mr. Kamalashanker Pandya, Mr. Ramanlal Sheth, Mr. Yahya Akbarallı Lokhandwalla and others.

A meeting of the Organising Committee will be held on 28th morning when draft resolutions for the open sessions will be considered.

Punjab Government Treasury Bills

Tenders for Rs. 90,00,000 of three months' Government of Punjab Treasury Bills were opened on Tuesday, the 25th April 1939. Total amount offered was Rs. 1,01,25,000. Tenders at Rs. 99-6-0 and above were accepted in full and those at Rs. 99-5-9 were allotted approximately 97 per cent. Lower tenders were rejected. Total amount accepted was Rs. 90,00,000, the average rate of accepted tenders being Rs. 2-8-10 per cent per annum.

SUGAR MARKET

Bombay, April 22.

Our Sugar Market ruled firm throughout the week under review. Java Ready Sugar prices on the whole advanced by about 9 annas per cwt. Forward prices for March, April, May, June, July, August, Sept. and Oct-Dec. shipments advanced by about 10 1/2, 9 1/4, 7 1/4, 5 1/2, 6 1/4, 6 1/2, 5 and 5 annas per cwt. respectively. Java and London Terminal Markets also ruled firm during the week. There was good Turnover in the market. S.S. Begum is due to arrive in a day or two with a cargo of Java Sugar.

There was no interest in Indian Sugar. Stock of Indian Sugar is limited and arrival is almost nil.

Offtake during the week is estimated at about 20,000 bags, leaving the stocks of about 70,000 bags.

The following are to-day's quotations ruling the Bazar:—

Fine white Java Sugar:—
Ready Rs. 16-3-0 per cwt.
S. S. Begum Rs. 6-14-0 per cwt F.B.H.
Shipment March Rs. 6-14-0 per cwt F.B.H. Conf. Terms.
Shipment April Rs. 6-13-0 per cwt. F.B.H. Conf. Terms.
Shipment May Rs. 6-11-0 per cwt. F.B.H. Conf. Terms.
Shipment June Rs. 6-8-0 per cwt. F.B.H. Conf. Terms.
Shipment July Rs. 6-7-6 per cent. F.B.H. Conf. Terms.
Shipment August Rs. 6-6-6 per cwt. F.B.H. Conf. Terms.
Shipment September Rs. 6-3-6 per cwt. F.B.H. Conf. Terms.
Shipment Oct-Nov-Dec. Rs. 6-3-0 per cwt. F.B.H. Conf. Terms.
Britannia:—
Ready Rs. 17-14-0 per cwt.
British Refined Ready Rs. 16-3-0 per cwt.

ELECTRICITY OUTPUT

TOTAL UNITS GENERATED

Messrs. Tata Hydro-Electric Agencies Limited, agents for The Tata Hydro-Electric Power Supply Co. Ltd., The Andhra Valley Power Supply Co. Ltd., and The Tata Power Company, Limited, report that the total electrical (Board of Trade) units generated at the three Power Stations (Khopoli, Bhivpuri and Bhira) of the Hydro Group were as follows:—

16th Week (ended April 22nd),	
1937	12,324,200
1938	14,155,600
1939	13,696,600
Total for 16 Weeks (1st Jan. to date).	
1937	188,397,600
1938	226,938,800
1939	218,004,100

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, April 25

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES	
3 1/2 per cent paper	92/11
4 per cent 1960/70	103/10
5 per cent 1945/55	112/6
BANKS	
Bank of Baroda	108/12
Bank of Hindusthan	27
Bank of India	137
Central Bank	31/14
Imperial Bank F P	1501/4
Imperial Bank P P	363/12
Indian Overseas Bank	47
Reserve Bank	109/4
Union Bank	5/13/6
TEXTILES	
Ahmd New Textiles	365
Ambica	251/14
Arun	220
Arvind	1125
Asok	201/4
Bharatkhand	2175
Bombay Dyeing	743/12
Buckingham and Carnatics	172
Calico	582/8
Central India	195
Century	197/8
Colaba	100/10
Delhi Cloth and Gen Mills	480
Elgin	112/8
Gokak	118/12
Hukumchand	168/2
Indore	46/4
Jubilee	205
Khatau Makanji	92/8
Kohinoor	205/10
Laxmi Cotton	460
Madhusudan	200
Marsden	90/10
Morarji	115
Mysore	82/8
Nandlal Bhandari	77/4
New Great	175
Raipur	595
Rajnagar	180/10
Sajjan	97/8
Sassoon and Alliance	68
Sholapur	3125
Simplex	63/12
Swadeshi	196/14
Vishnu	1050
HYDRO ELECTRICS	
Andhra Valley Ord	1355
Tata Hydro Ord	144/6
Tata Power Ord	1210
ELECTRICS	
Ahmedabad Electrics	137/8
Ajmer Electrics	11
Amalgamated	12/6
Bombay Suburban	141/4
Bombay Tram	126/9
Lahore Electrics	445
Surat Electrics	146/4
MISCELLANEOUS	
Alcock Ashdown	317/8
Associated Cements	118/4
Belapur	172/8
Bombay Burma New	146/4
Bombay Burma Old	422/8
Bombay Steam	208/12
Bombay Telephone	79/4
Br B Petrol	3/1/6
Burma Corporation	5/9
Dalmia Cement	10/4
Indian B'eaching	93/2
Industrial Investment Tr	40/8
Indian Radio Ord	345
Indian Radio Defd	301/4
Indian Copper	1/15
Indian Iron	23/13
Mysore Sugar	30/4
Port Canning	68/8
Premier Construction	58/12
Rohtas Industries	22/8
Scindia Steam	16/11
Shivrajpur	31/8
Tata Oil	34/12
Tata Steel ordy	256/8
Tata Steel Defd.	1176/4
JUTES	
Birla Jute	14/12
Howrah	52/10
Hukumchand	5/4
Kamarhatty	473
Kanknarrah	363
Lawrence	335
Reliance	58

WALL-STREET MARKET

New York, April 24

Messrs. Batlivala and Karani have issued the following report showing quotations of the New York Stock Exchange:

	Dollars
Electric Power and Light 7 per cent Cum Pfd	24
Electric Bond Common	7 3/4
Columbia Gas and Electric	6
American Tel and Tel	157 1/2
Sun Life of Canada	390
Western Union Telg	18
Great Northern Pfd	18
New York Central	13 1/2
Int Tel and Tel 4 1/2 per cent 1952	57
Amrex Corporation	21
Texas Corporation	36 1/2
United Corporation	3
Union Carbon and Carbide	72
Firestone Rubber	20
Firestone Rubber 6 per cent Pfd	102
Gillette Safety Razor 5 per cent Pfd	49
United States Steel	46 1/2
United States Steel Pfd	110 3/8
Ludlum Steel	16
Republic Steel	15
United States Smelting	50
Anaconda Copper Mining	22 7/8
Int Nickel of Canada	45 1/4
General Motors	40 5/8
General Electric	34 3/8
Consolidated Oil	7 3/8
Socony	11 3/4
Brooklyn Manhattan Transit	10
Chase National Bank	29 1/4
National City Bank	23
Eaton Manufacturing	20

Turnover 450,000 shares. Expect trading market but lean towards buying on sharp declines. American Steel production 48.6 per cent against 50.9 per cent last week and 32 per cent same period last year.

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SALES OF TREASURY BILLS

Tenders for Rs. One Crore of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills were opened on Tuesday, the 25th April 1939. Total amount offered was Rs. 1,55,75,000. Tenders at Rs. 99-7-0 were accepted in full and those at Rs. 99-6-9 allotter approximately 93 per cent. Lower tenders were rejected. Total amount accepted was Rs. One Crore, the average rate of accepted tenders being Rs. 2-5-0 per cent per annum.

Tenders for Rs. One Crore of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills will be received on Tuesday, the 2nd May 1939. Successful tenderers should make payment on Friday, the 5th May 1939. Other conditions are as usual.

During the week ended 21st April 1939, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 6,75,50,000 were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

Three months' intermediates will be sold from 26th April to 1st May 1939 at Rs. 99-7-0 subject to the conditions previously announced (viz. sales can be stopped at any time without previous notice if Government think it necessary).

Three months' intermediates sold from 19th to 24th April 1939 amounted to Rs. 58,00,000.

BRAZILIAN HEDGE SELLING

New York Weekly Review

The market reversed its down-trend on increased short covering in May coincident with indications of no early relief in spot tightness, with longs selling only on the scale-up. Apart from moderate Brazilian hedging, transactions in forwards have been chiefly transfers from May at steadily widening differences.

Washington prospects still point to some type of export subsidy with Secretary Wallace expecting a compromise satisfactory to conflicting interest. In the meanwhile the cotton and rubber barter plans are reported to be progressing though they are still in the tentative stage. The Supreme Court decision upholding the constitutionality of the farm programme and marketing quotas is believed to be possibly foreshadowing the revival of processing taxes.

Textiles were quiet. Crop progress is mixed while acreage indications are unchanged. Aside from some bullish view over near month prospects, opinions for long term outlook continue inconclusive pending Washington and European developments and business prospects.

Latest Commercial News

N. Y. COTTON SIX POINTS DOWN

Budget Proposals Awaited In All Markets

OILS DULL BUT NO SELLING PRESSURE

Metals Steady

BOMBAY: April 25.

NEW YORK COTTON

The Market opened quiet and steady, but overhanging U. S. developments induced hedging and liquidation. New Crops are expected to advance further unless the mandatory loan feature of the present control measure is altered.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Very quiet conditions prevailed pending the Budget announcement. Home Industrials fluctuated narrowly. Oils were dull, but no real selling pressure was in evidence.

Gilt-edgeds were mainly steady.

COTTON

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

JULY 1939

New York, April 25.

Previous closing	8.08
To-day's opening	8.08
Difference	nil
To-day's closing	8.02
Difference	—.06

LIVERPOOL COTTON

JULY 1939

Liverpool, April 25.

Previous closing	4.29
To-day's opening	4.31
Difference	+.02
To-day's closing	4.31
Difference	+.02

BROACH EXPECTATION

April May 1939	Rs. 151-8
July August	Rs. 151-0

N. Y. COTTON MARKET

New York, April 25.

The New York cotton opened unchanged with July position at 8.08 and registered one point advance to 8.09. The market opened quietly steady in sympathy with Liverpool which was barely steady with the overhanging United States developments inducing hedging and liquidation. Moderate tenders are expected. New crops are expected to advance further unless the mandatory loan feature of the present control measure is altered.

BOMBAY COTTON

Late Trading

Bombay, April 25.

On the local Cotton Exchange Broach July/August opened at Rs. 151-6. The price advanced to Rs. 151-14. New York advices were higher and Broach was finally quoted at Rs. 151-14.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, April 25.

The following are opening ranges:—

May (8.15) 8.30/8.30
July (7.98) 8.09/8.08
October 7.79/7.77

LIVERPOOL COTTON

London, April 25.

The following are opening quotations:

American May (4.49) 4.49
American July (4.25) 4.27
Egyptian May (6.27) 6.21
Egyptian July (6.36) 6.30

LONDON COMMODITIES

London, April 25.

TEAS

Indian Pekoe (0-11 1/2) 1-0 1/2
Indian Pekoe higher (1-5) 1-1
Ceylon Pekoe (1-2) 1-2
Ceylon Pekoe higher (1-7 1/2) 1-7 1/2

JUTE

First Marks C. I. F. Continent New Crop April May (£29 1/2 buyers) £30 paid and buyers

Dunlop April (£30 1/2) £30 1/2
Lightning April (£29 3/4 sellers) £29 3/4 sellers

RUBBER

Spot (7 15/16 paid and sellers) 7 15/15 buyers
Forward July September (8 1/16 paid and sellers) 8 1/16 paid and value

SEEDS

Castorseed Bombay April/May (£10 1/4 sellers) £10 1/4 sellers
Linseed La Plata April (£12 5/16 sellers) £12 1/4 sellers
Linseed La Plata April (£11 3/16 sellers) £11 3/16 sellers
Groundnuts Coromandal May (£10 9/16 sellers) £10 5/8 sellers

METALS

Tin (£222 1/4 buyers £222 1/2 sellers. Firm) £222 3/4 buyers £223 sellers. Steady.
Lead (£14 3/8 buyers £14 1/2 sellers) £14 3/8 buyers £14 7/8 sellers. Steady.
Electrolytic Copper (£47 to £48) £47 1/4 to £48 1/4
Iron (102) 102

EXCHANGES

CROSS RATES

T. T NEW YORK ON LONDON
New York, April 25.

Previous closing	4.68 5/16
To-day's opening	4.68 1/4

At the time of New York
cotton closing 4.68 3/16

T. T LONDON ON NEW YORK
London, April 25.

Previous closing	4.68.07
To-day's opening	4.68.18
To-day's closing	4.68.15

T. T LONDON ON PARIS
London, April 25.

Previous closing	176.71
To-day's opening	176.69
To-day's closing	176.73

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, April 25.

The sterling dollar opened steady at 468.18. The rate was pegged around the same level throughout the session in absence of any speculative activity. Franc opened at 176.69 but weakened to 176.73 despite inactive dollar.

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1-5 15/16 sellers) 1-5 15/16 sellers
Paris on Bombay (13.210) 13.203
New York on Bombay (34.98) 34.99
Berlin on Milan (87 1/4) 87 1/4
London on Milan (89.00) 89.00
London on Shanghai (0-8 1/4 nominal) 0-8 1/4 nominal
London on Kobe (1-2) 1-2

BULLION

Influx (Nil) Nil
Withdrawal (nil) nil
Gold (£7-8-6) £7-8-5 1/2
Silver (20 1/16d) 20 1/16d.

DISCOUNTS

3 months (1 5/16 to 1 3/8 per cent) 1 5/16 to 1 3/8 per cent
4 months (1 1/2 to 1 1/2 per cent) 1 1/2 to 1 1/2 per cent
6 months (2 1/4 to 2 1/4 per cent) 2 1/4 to 2 1/4 per cent

LONDON SILVER CABLE

Bombay, April 25.

The following cable regarding silver market was received in Bombay tonight:—

"Small Indian demand. Business small. Market steady."

LONDON SILVER

London, April 25.

Spot	(20 1/16d) 20 1/16d nil
Forward	(19 7/8d) 19 7/8d nil

LONDON GOLD

London, April 25.

Gold Bars Fine per ounce (£7-8-6) £7-8-5 1/2

BOMBAY BULLION

Latest Quotation

SILVER

Bombay, April 25.

Silver ready	52	13	0
Silver Vaishakh	52	12	0
Silver Jeth	52	11	0

GOLD

Gold ready	36	15	6
Gold Vaishakh	37	0	0
Gold Jeth	37	0	6
Sovereign	23	10	6

WHEAT AND LINSEED

Closing Quotations

Bombay, April 25.

Wheat May	3	5	0
Wheat September	3	6	6
Linseed	5	2	0
Linseed September	5	4	3

Liverpool Wheat

Liverpool, April 25.

Liverpool wheat futures opened quietly lower with new May option at 50 1/4d in sympathy with disappointing closing North American advices. Subsequently, values quietly eased in the absence of demand for actual wheat together with some pre-budget liquidation. At noon the rate stood at 51 3/4d.

Chicago Wheat

Chicago, April 25.

On the Chicago Wheat Market may option opened steady at 68 3/4 and advanced to 69 on speculative buying on uncertain European situation. Thereafter prices were stationary on more favourable Russian comment and satisfactory domestic weather.

LIVERPOOL WHEAT QUOTATIONS

Liverpool, April 25.

The Liverpool wheat market closed with May at 52 5/8d.

3½% GOVT. LOAN

Latest Quotations

Bombay, April 25.

3 1/2 per cent Government Paper was quoted at Rs. 92/10 at 5 p.m.

INDIAN STERLING LOANS

London, April 25.

The 3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed at £79 1/4

Closing quotations on the previous days were:—

Friday, April 14, £79 1/4
Monday, April 17, £78 1/2
Tuesday, April 18, £79
Wednesday, April 19, £78 3/4
Thursday, April 20, £79 1/4
Friday, April 21, £79 1/4
Monday, April 24, £79 1/2

INDIAN LOANS

London, April 25.
4-30 p.m.

3 1/2 per cent Indian Stock (£92 3/4) £92 3/4
3 1/2 per cent Indian Stock (£79) £79 1/4
4 1/2 per cent Indian Stock 1950-55 (£103 3/4) £104 1/4
4 1/2 per cent 1958-68 (£107 1/4) £107 1/4
4 per cent Indian Stock 1948-58 (£101 1/4) £101 1/4
5 per cent 1942-47 (£105 1/4) £105 1/4
4 per cent Victory Bonds (£96 3/4) £97 1/4

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

5 per cent 1945-55 (£100 1/2) £100

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols (£65 3/4) £65 7/8
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£92) £91 3/4
4 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£102 7/8) £102 7/8
5 per cent Funding Loan (£103 1/8) £103 1/8
5 1/2 per cent War Loan (£93 1/2) £91 5/8
4 per cent Victory Bonds (£103 1/4) £103 1/8

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, April 25.

Giltedged securities ruled quietly steady with operators adopting waiting attitude pending further European developments. 3 1/2 per cent Indian Stock opened steady at £79 1/2 but declined to £79 1/4 on nervous liquidation.

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors (16) 15-7 1/2
Motors and Spencer Ordinary (56-9 Ex Div) 56-9
Hydro Electric (dol 3 7/8) dol 3 7/8
Elec Music Industry (10-3) 10-3
Princhin Johnson (23-1 1/2) 23-1 1/2
Imperial Chemical (28-1 1/2) 28-1 1/2
Woolsworth New Ordinary (58-9) 59-1 1/2
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates 1930 (£21 1/2) £21 1/2
Dunlop Rubber (24-6) 24-6
Unilever Ordinary (31-9 Ex Div.) 32-1 1/2
Ford Motors (17-3) 17-3
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary (£42) £42
British American Tobacco Ordinary (90) 92-6
Carreas 'A' (£5 3/4) £5 7/8
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (121-10 1/2) 123-1 1/2
P and O. S. N Company Deferred (20-1 1/2) 20-1 1/2
Distillers (88-9) 88-9
British Dyers (3-10 1/2) 3-10 1/2
British Celanese (3-7 1/2) 3-7 1/2
J and P Coates Ordinary (30-7 1/2) 30-7 1/2
Courtaulds Ordinary (23-10 1/2) 23-10 1/2
Fine Cotton Spinners (2-6) 2-6
Vickers Limited Ordinary (20-1 1/2) 20-1 1/2
Inter Nickels (dol 48 5/8) dol 48 5/8
Indian Irons (33-9) 35-0

TEA SHARES

Assam (16-0) 15-7 1/2
Donaro Tea (31-3) 31-3
Empire of India (20) 20

JUTE

Barnagore (£10 3/4) £10 3/4

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (23-6) 23-6
Gula Kelampong (16-3) 16-10 1/2
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (24-6) 24-6

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (30-0) 30-0
Burma Corporation (8-1 1/2) 8-1 1/2
Rio Tintos (£11 3/4) £11 3/4
East Rand Proprietors (46-10 1/2) 46-10 1/2
Rand Mines (£8 1/2) £8 1/2

MINE SHARES

Crown (£15 1/4) £15 1/4
Association Portland Cement (68-1 1/2) 68-1 1/2
Trinidad Leaseholds (84-4 1/2) 85-0
Sub Nigel (£10 3/8) £10 3/8
Spring Mines Split Shares (26-10 1/2) 26-10 1/2
Union Corporation (£7 1/8) £7 1/8

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (20-7 1/2) 20-7 1/2
Anglo Iranian (81-3) 81-10 1/2
Burma Oil (77-6) 76-10 1/2
Mexican Eagle (7-0) 7-0
Shell Transport (80-0 Ex Div) 80-0
Royal Dutch (£33 3/8) £33 3/8

RAILWAY SHARES.

Great Western Ordinary (£25) £24 1/2
London Midland Ordinary (£12 1/2) £12 1/2
London North Eastern Def (£2) £2
London Southern Def (£13) £12 3/4
London Transport 5 per cent (£114 1/2) £114 1/2
London Transport 'C' (£65) £64 1/2

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, April 25.

The following are the opening rates:

General Motors (dol 42) dol 41 3/8
Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 23 3/4) dol 23 1/8
U S Common New Stock (dol 47 1/2) dol 47 3/8
U S Steel Preference (dol 111 1/2) unquoted.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Gilts Rally: Tobacco Strong

(SPECIAL CABLE.)

LONDON, April 25.

On the Stock Exchange the imminence of the budget caused general quietness, but the tone was satisfactory. After an indifferent opening the tone improved with Giltedged securities staging a final rally. Kaffirs were good and Tobaccos strong. The budget provisions, which became known after the market closed were well received, but the prices were not greatly affected apart from tobaccos, which eased slightly.

Commodities:—The increase of a farthing per pound on sugar duty was generally in accordance with expectations and is not expected to affect the price. At the same time some sugar interests voiced thanks that the increase was not larger. It is estimated that over the full year two million tons of sugar will be liable for extra farthing duty.

Wall Street opened firm

Calcutta Shares Steady

CALCUTTA, April 25.

Jutes general tendency of this section is better and speculative issues after quiet opening steadier up with approach of day volume business other hand remained nothing, but small coals remained more less inactive, teas rather dull. Miscellaneous apart from usual dealings in its chief speculative issues, there was practically nothing fresh to report in this section. Govt securities quiet but steady.

Govt. securities 3 per cent new loan 1963/65 Rs. 96/8, 3 1/2 per cent Govt. paper Rs. 92/11, 3 1/2 per cent loan 1947/50, Rs. 101/5, 4 per cent loan 1960/70 Rs. 108/9, 5 per cent loan 1939/44 Rs. 100/5 small lot, 5 per cent loan 1945/55 Rs. 112/8 small lot, 3 per cent loan 1952 Rs. 98/8,

Imperial Bank Fully paid Rs. 1503. Reserve Rs. 109/8,

Cottons Cawnpore Textiles Rs. 3/12, New Victoria ord annas 12

Coals Bokaro and Ramgur Rs. 13/8 small lots, Hurriladihi Rs. 0/4, Mundulpoor Rs. 6/10, North Damuda Rs. 3/9, Ex Div. Satpukuria and Asansol annas 10, Union Rs. 24/12.

Jutes Anglo-India Rs. 314 small lots, Bally Rs. 180, Barnagore Rs. 145, Clive Rs. 24/10, Dalhousie Rs. 307 odd lots, Ft. William Rs. 209, Howrah Rs. 52/6, Kamarhatty Rs. 471, Lawrence Rs. 337, Orient Rs. 174.

Miscellaneous Burma corpn Rs. 5/9, Consolidated tin Rs. 5/12, Indian copper Rs. 1/15, Rhodesia copper Rs. 1/4, Dalmia cement ord Rs. 10/6, do defd Rs. 3/6, do pref Rs. 94, Arthur Butler Rs. 7/4, Burn and Co., 7 per cent pref Rs. 145, Indian iron Rs. 23/11, Indian St. Wagon pref Rs. 2, pref Rs. 128, Steel corpn ord Rs. 11/2, do pref Rs. 92/8, Birds Investment pref Rs. 97 B.I. corpn ord Rs. 2/6, Titaghur paper a ord Rs. 11/12, do b ord Rs. 12/2, do second pref Rs. 105, Assam Saws annas 11 small lot, Balrampore Rs. 7/12, Ct. Buland Rs. 11/4.

Teas: Jutlibari Rs. 13, Sington Rs. 76 Ct. Tirrihannah ord Rs. 1/1,

Debentures: 5 1/2 per cent 1938/53 Carew and Co. Rs. 105/8, 5 1/2 per cent 1939/45/49, Hukumchand Jute third mortgage Rs. 101.—A. P.

BRITAIN'S "G. O. M." SPEAKS OUT

The place of Mr. Gladstone in late Victorian politics as Britain's Grand Old Man (familiarly referred to as the "G. O. M." is nowadays taken by the "Father of the House of Commons," Mr. Lloyd George. When his magnificent and dominating figure rises to address the House, the seats fill up and everyone listens with respects.

What is considered in the lobbies to be one of his most effective speeches was dellvered on April 13 on the question of Mr. Chamberlain's alleged change of policy, and the Polish Guarantee Pact. I give below the salien features of his challenging statement.

"A declaration of this kind, involving a change of policy, involves also a re-examination of the means at our disposal to enforce it, and the urgent importance of securing the pledged support of the greatest military Power on this earth. The Prime Minister has treated this question of Soviet Russia rather too much as though it were a matter of placating the Opposition. That has nothing to do with it. It is a matter of the greatest military importance.

"If war is declared to-morrow we could not send a single battalion to Poland. The Poles are a brave people, but their Army is only half the size of Germany's and their equipment is not comparable. What is going to happen to Poland while we are blockading Germany—a blockade for which she is much better prepared than in 1914?

"I urge it upon the Government that if we go in without the help of Russia, we are walking into a trap. It is the only country whose armies could help Poland and whose air fleet is a match for Germany's. In 1914 the Russian Power was a corrupt and inefficient administration. To-day she has an army of 18 millions of the bravest soldiers in the world, a much more educated army, and with immeasurably superior equipment.

"I cannot think why, before we commit ourselves to this enterprise, we do not secure the adherence of Russia. Apart from that we undertake a frightful gamble, and a very risky one. With Russia we should have an overwhelming force against which Germany could not stand. It is for us to declare the terms on which we will assist the Poles, and unless the Poles are prepared to accept the only conditions under which we could successfully help them, the responsibility must be theirs."

All India Weather

(From Our Correspondent)

POONA, April 25.

The following are the maximum-minimum temperature and rainfall figures recorded at various stations during twenty-four hours ending 8 a.m. to-day:—

Station	Temperature Max.	Temperature Min.	Rainfall Past 24 Hours	Rainfall Total Since 1st April	Difference to Normal
Agra	101	64	—	—	—0.2
Amraoti	107	77	—	—	—0.2
Akola	107	74	—	0.6	+0.4
Ahmedabad	105	74	—	—	—
Ajmer	98	65	—	—	0.1
Ahmednagar	102	72	—	0.3	+0.2
Ambala	99	64	—	0.4	0.2
Allahabad	102	70	—	0.4	+0.3
Benares	103	73	—	—	—0.2
Bareilly	102	71	—	—	—0.2
BOMBAY	89	75	—	—	—0.1
Bangalore	89	72	—	6.1	+5.2
Bhopal	100	67	—	—	—
Baroda	106	65	—	—	—
Belgaum	100	70	—	0.4	—0.9
Bahawalpore	97	66	—	—	—0.3
Bijapur	103	77	—	0.4	—0.1
Bellary	107	81	—	1.3	+0.7
Bhavnagar	104	71	—	—	—0.1
Chittagong	90	79	—	3.9	+0.3
Calcutta	104	80	—	1.6	+0.1
Cuttack	102	77	—	0.2	—0.8
Cawnpore	104	78	—	—	—0.2
Calicut	91	82	T	6.9	+4.3
Colombo	87	77	T	11.1	+3.4
Cocanada	96	69	—	0.5	—
Cochin	91	79	T	9.7	+5.9
Dehra Dun	94	62	—	0.3	—0.3
Delhi	101	69	—	—	—0.3
Dehra I. Khan	98	74	—	0.6	—0.1
Desa	104	89	—	—	—0.1
Dalhousie	—	—	—	3.0	—
Fort Sandeman	81	55	—	0.8	—0.2
Gorakhpur	104	73	—	0.1	—0.2
Hyderabad (Dn.)	104	78	—	0.9	—0.1
Hyderabad (Sd)	102	69	—	—	—
Indore	102	65	—	—	—0.1
Jhansi	102	68	—	—	—0.2
Jubbulpore	102	62	—	—	—0.2
Jacobabad	104	72	—	—	—0.2
Jaipur	99	70	—	—	0.1
Karwar	87	80	—	0.8	—
Karachi	83	73	—	0.1	—0.1
Kodaikanal	68	53	—	5.6	+2.2
Khandwa	101	77	—	—	—0.1
Lucknow	104	78	—	—	—0.2
Ludhiana	100	63	—	0.4	—0.3
Lahore	99	65	—	0.1	—0.3
Lyallpur	99	65	—	—	—0.5
Multan	101	73	—	—	—0.2
Mysore	93	77	—	1.9	+0.2
Madras	90	78	—	5.2	+4.7
Marmagoa	86	78	—	0.1	—
Malegaon	107	68	—	—	—0.1
Mussoorie	63	54	—	0.5	—0.5
Mahableshwar	89	72	—	0.7	—0.4
Murree	68	53	—	2.7	—1.0
Mount Abu	87	67	—	—	—0.1
Masulipatam	90	68	—	0.1	—0.4
Mandalay	99	79	—	0.6	—0.1
Mangalore	89	80	—	5.0	+4.0
Meerut	—	—	—	—	—0.4
Mercara	86	66	—	1.3	—0.7
Nagpur	105	—	—	0.3	—0.2
Ootacamund	86	55	—	2.9	+1.0
Patna	104	73	—	0.1	—0.2
Peshawar	87	58	—	0.6	—1.0
Poona	102	65	—	0.1	—0.3
Pachmarhi	94	62	—	—	—0.2
Port Blair	89	75	0.6	2.5	+1.4
Quetta	72	42	T	0.7	—
Ranchi	98	79	—	0.5	—0.3
Rawalpindi	88	53	—	1.5	—0.2
Rangoon	93	78	T	2.3	+1.4
Ratnagiri	86	77	—	0.1	—
Rajkot	103	68	—	—	—
Sialkot	95	67	—	0.9	+0.1
Srinagar	72	43	—	1.8	—1.5
Sholapur	107	82	—	0.2	—0.1
Shillong	82	59	—	—	—4.3
Simla	68	50	—	6.4	—0.3
Surat	105	71	—	—	—
Salem	95	79	0.1	5.7	+4.4
Trichinopoly	98	81	—	4.9	+3.8
Vizagapatam	90	80	—	—	—0.6

T indicates rainfall of 1 to 4 Cents.

COLABA OBSERVATORY, BOMBAY.

Summary of Meteorological Observations during 24 hours ending 8 a.m. of 25-4-1939.

Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hours —.042 inches.

Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a.m. 82.7 degrees.

Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a.m. 73.0 degrees.

Maximum temperature during 24 hours 88.8 degrees 0.1 (below normal).

Minimum temperature during 24 hours 75.4 degrees 1.3 (below normal).

Relative Humidity at 8 a.m. 61 p.c.

Direction of wind at 8 a.m. N.

Velocity of wind at 8 a.m. 8 miles per hour.

Total movement of wind in 24 hours 166 miles.

Velocity of maximum gust of wind during 24 hours 19 miles per hour.

Extent of cloud at 8 a.m. (the whole sky cloudy eq. 10) 0.

OFFICIAL BAROMETER READING DATED 25-4-39

At 8-7 a.m. local time (8-46 a.m. Indian Standard Time) and temperature 83.4 deg. F., a mercury barometer without index error at mean sea level would actually read 30.01 inches and a compensated aneroid 29.80 inches.

For correction of ships' instruments please subtract from the above official baromeer reading 0.001" for every foot of elevation of the instrument above mean sea level.

Lucknow.—A temporary camp jail is shortly to be opened at Lucknow to accommodate Shia under-trial prisoners, arrested in connection with the Tabarra agitation.

SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVED

Bombay, April 25.

Scindia Steam Nvg. s.s. Jalaputra of 3113 reg tons Capt W D Anderson arrived from Calcutta via Colombo and Tuticorin with general cargo

James Finlay s.s. Halizones of 3137 reg tons Capt A MacIntyre arrived from Fowey via Greenock Glasgow Liverpool Port Said Suez and Aden with general cargo

M B Kaisha's s.s. Singapore Maru of 4257 reg tons Capt S Kanebako arrived from Yokohama via Japan Ports Singapore Colombo Tuticorin and Marmagoa with general cargo

SAILED

Scindia Steam Nvg. s.s. Leana of 2915 reg tons Capt E Jones sailed for Rangoon via Tuticorin and Colombo with local cargo

Lionel Edward's s.s. Salstan of 3195 reg tons Capt F Rofen sailed for Bahrein in water ballast

Scindia Steam Nvg. s.s. Jalaveera of 3089 reg tons Capt J V Griffitho sailed for Bassein in water ballast

LOADING

The following vessels booked for loading on 25-4-39

S S Halizones (JF) for London.

STEAMERS IN DOCKS

ALEXANDRA DOCK

Bombay, April 25.

2 Tairea 3756 Durban 26-4 M M
6 Halizones 3137 Kathiawar Ports 29-4 J Finlay
14 Windsorwood 3145 Vizagapatam 29-4 L Edwards
15 Baron Belhoven 3921 Shanghai 25-4 M M
16 Strathedon 14234 London 29-4 M M

VICTORIA DOCK

3 Barala 1899 Persian Gulf 26-4 M M
4 Varsova 1955 Busra 27-4 M M
5 Jalabala 2211 Rangoon 27-4 Scindia S N
6 Victoria Marie 892 M Coast 25-4 Merchant S N
9 Singapore Maru 4256 Karachi 26-4 M B Kaisha
10/11 Mount Parnes 2759 Rangoon 26-4 Scindia S N
12/13 Gharinda 3212 Karachi 26-4 M M

PRINCE'S DOCK

B Jalaganga 3080 Bassien 28-4 Scindia S N
D/E Hashemi 293 M Coast 25-4 S Hassum
F Begum 3656 Calcutta 30-4 T Morrison
H Offside Shrivati 250 N F N F Malabar Steamship
H Revati 250 N F N F Malabar Steamship
K British Soldier 3503 Abadan N F Anglo Iranian Oil.
P Graciosa 1029 Bangkok 26-4 F F Campbell.

Steamers Expected

FROM LONDON

Ranchi 27-4-39 P and O S N
Strathmore 4-5-39 P and O S N
Viceroy of India 11-5-39 P and O S N
Maloja 18-5-39 P and O S N
Rawalpindi 25-5-39 P and O S N

FROM LIVERPOOL

City of Melbourne 27-4-39 K Nixon
Cilicia 28-4-39 Anchor Line

FROM HAMBURG

Lindenfels 30-4-39 L Edwards
Braunfels 9-5-39 L Edwards

FROM NEW YORK

Vini 26-4-39 Volkart Bros
Pres Van Buren 18-5-39 F F Campbell
Pres. Adams 4-5-39 F F Campbell

FROM OSLO

Sumatra 6-5-39 L Edwards

FROM TRIESTE

Conte Verde 22-5-39 L Triestino

FROM GENOA

Victoria 8-5-39 L Triestino

FROM CHINA AND JAPAN

Glasgow Maru 9-5-39 O S Kaisha
Anyo Maru 29-4-39 N Y Kaisha
Conte Biancamano 11-5-39 L Triestino
Katori Maru 7-5-39 N Y Kaisha
Carthage 25-5-39 P and O S N
Ryufuku Maru 24-5-39 O S Kaisha
Conte Rosso 25-5-39 L Triestino
Sakito Maru 12-5-39 N Y Kaisha

FROM BASRA

Bandra 27-4-39 M M
Varela 29-4-39 M M

FROM RANGOON

Jalaganga 24-4-39 Scindia S N
Howra 27-4-39 M M

FROM SYDNEY

Strathnaver 6-5-39 P and O S N

FROM DURBAN

Kenya 29-4-39 M M
Takliwa 13-5-39 M M
Quilos 24-4-39 M M

FROM MOULMEIN

Hatarana 29-4-39 M M

FROM KARACHI

Vita 27-4-39 M M

Sailing Dates

FOR LONDON

Strathnaver 6-5-39 P and O S N
Viceroy of India 13-5-39 P and O S N
Narkunda 20-5-39 P and O S N
Mooltan 22-4-39 P and O S N
Stratheden 29-4-39 P and O S N

FOR LIVERPOOL

City of Venice 8-5-39 K Nixon
Cilicia 12-5-39 Anchor Line

FOR GERMANY

Uhenfels 25-4-39 L Edwards

FOR NEW YORK

City of Auckland 25-4-39 F F Campbell
Pres. Van Buren 20-5-39 F F Campbell

FOR TRIESTE

Conte Rosso 25-5-39 L Triestino

FOR ABADAN

Bri Soldier N F Anglo-Iranian Oil

FOR GENOA

Conte Biancamano 11-5-39 L Triestino

FOR CHINA AND JAPAN

Victoria 8-5-39 L Triestino
Haruna Maru 24-4-39 N Y Kaisha
Katori Maru 8-5-39 N Y Kaisha
Eihuku Maru 8-5-39 O S K Kaisya
Baron Belhaven 27-4-39 M M
Bhutan 25-4-39 P and O S N
Ranchi 27-4-39 P and O S N
Anyo Maru 17-5-39 N Y Kaisha
Sakito Maru 13-5-39 N Y Kaisha
Behar 6-5-39 P and O S N
Glasgow Maru 23-5-39 O S Kaisha
Conte Verde 22-5-39 L Triestino

FOR SYDNEY

Strathmore 4-5-39 P and O S N

FOR BASRA

Barala 26-4-39 M M
Varsova 27-4-39 M M

FOR DURBAN

Tairea 26-4-39 M M
Kenya 10-5-39 M M

FOR RANGOON

Mount Parnes 26-4-39 Scindia S N

FOR BANGKOK

Graciosa 25-4-39 F F Campbell

FROM BASSIEN

Jalaganga 28-4-39 Scindia S N

FOR CALCUTTA

Begum 30-4-39 T Morrison
Orna 3-5-39 M M
Vini 28-4-39 Volkart Bros

FOR KARACHI

Vita 29-4-39 M M

B P. T. GENEHAL LANDING DATE

S S Cathay (boats) 22-4-39
S S Rajput 22-4-39
S S Netravati 22-4-39
S S Sophie Marie 22-4-39
S S Jalabala 24-4-39
S S Mooltan (boats) 24-4-39
S S Barpeta (boats) 24-4-39
S S Varsova 24-4-39
S S Begum 24-4-39
S S Conte Rosso (boats) 24-4-39
S S Hashemi 24-4-39
S S Victoria Marie 24-4-39
S S Parvati 24-4-39
S S Sonavati 24-4-39
S S Irrawadi 25-4-39

EXPORTS.

London, April 25.

S S Stratheden for London: 14 bales sheep skins tanned The Anglo Siam Corptn; 30 cases cattle fish bones N P Master; 62 bags gr nut seed R Ratilal; 20 cases bristles D Abraham and Sons; 14 bags isinglass The Anglo Siam Corpn, 671 bags linseed oil cakes Ralli Bros; 924 bags myrabollams J Moolchand; 72 bags cattle fish bones A Abdulla.

For Dunkerk: 625 bags cotton raw Volkart Bros.

S S City of Auckland for Halifox: 292 bags gr nut kernels M Bhuta

For Montreal: 800 bags gr nut kernels S M Raigor.

S S Singapore Maru for Osaka: 98 bags aluminium scrap M B Kaisha

For Dairen: 1200 bales raw cotton M B Kaisha.

For Yokohama: 500 tons scrap iron G Gabriel.

S S Baron Belhaven for Shanghai: 200 bales raw cotton A Clayton; 38 bales raw cotton G Dossa; 100 bales raw cotton N Futehally, 100 bales raw cotton Ralli Bros.

S S Eihuku Maru for Yokohama: 160 tons scrap iron Ali Bros.

S S Bhutan for Osaka: 100 bales raw cotton Podar Trading.

For Hongkong: 81 bags coplet L Pragji; 57 bags shark fins R Dhanji; 18 bags fish maws R Dhanji; 120 bags shark fins M Ladha; 22 bags fish maws M Ladha; 75 bags shark fins E Moledina Sons.

For Kobe: 27 cases bristles D Abraham and Sons; 100 bales raw cotton A Khimji; 100 bales raw cotton N Manilal, 100 bales raw cotton R Kanji; 100 bales raw cotton N Futehally; 100 bales raw cotton The Cotton Agents; 200 bales raw cotton Japan Cotton Trading; 200 bales raw cotton T M Kaisha.

IMPORTS.

S S Rinda Agent Lione: Edwards from Gothenburg: 288 bdls cardboards; 308 bales kraft paper; 398 bales paper; 1642 reels paper; 250 bales newspapers old, 119 cases galvd staples; 180 bales wrapping paper; 80 bales boards; 278 cases nails; 273 cases wire nails; 70 cts holloware.

From Oslo: 84 bales paper; 250 bales drywood pulp; 196 cases nails; 100 cases cnd goods, 150 bags nitrate of soda; 550 reels news printing paper.

From Lisbon: 89 pkgs corks.

From Hamburg: 90 cases chain iron; 82 cases chains; 173 bales paper; 195 bdls y m rods; 50 pcs y m rods; 1850 pcs ashenlogs; 200 bags nitrate of soda; 120 cases salammoniae.

From Rotterdam: 60 bales strawboard, 222 bales boards; 1233 d/bags crystal sugar; 3500 bags java sugar; 200 cts said to contain milk powder; 150 cases said to contain milk powder;

From Antwerp: 200 bags maize starch, 251 bags tee hinges; 315 pkgs bolts and nuts; 200 d/bags sulphate of alumina; 100 bags sulphate of potash; 50 cases wire nails; 1525 bags java sugar; 50 d/bags muriate of potash; 142 pcs rough m stabs.

S S Rajput Agent T Morrison from Cochin: 638 bdls coir yarn; 119 jottas coir yarn; 226 h/e tea; 120 bdls coir rope; 200 bdls soft wood battens.

From Badagara: 162 bags cocoanuts

From Tellicherry: 211 bags cocoanuts; 69 bdls s wood; 61 bdls basola bukni.

From Ponani: 1588 bags cocoanuts; 115 jottas coir yarn

From Rangoon: 35012 bags rice; 600 bags grain dhall; 100 bags tuvar dall; 373 cases jaggery.

S S Graciosa Agent F F Campbell from Colombo: 8343 bags copra.

NAZI AGENTS AT WORK

BUENOS AIRES, April, 10.

A girl cabaret dancer and a German man have been arrested in Patagonia following President Oritz's order that Nazi activities in Argentina should be investigated.

An alleged Nazi agent, stated to be a former German officer, was arrested at Bahia Blanca when packing to go abroad. Documents in his possession were seized.

Herr Hermann Kuck Knopp, local manager of the German firm of Hans Christian Lahusen and Company at the eastern coastal town of Comodoro Rivadavia, was also arrested.

A Federal judge has given warrants to police in the cities of Rosario and Cordoba to carry out searches in Nazi centres, and several arrests are reported imminent.

Meanwhile Don Alfredo Muller, Leader of the Argentina Nazi movement, who is to be placed on trial on charges of attempts against the security of the State, is to be questioned further in Buenos Aires to-day.

Later to-day President Ortiz and his Foreign Minister, Dr. Jose Cantilo, will confer to draft the Argentine reply to the German Note that Berlin was not plotting to make Patagonia a Nazi colony.

Considerable Opposition To New Export Subsidy Plan

WIDER USE OF COTTON ONLY SOLUTION

Market Opinion Sharply Divided

BOMBAY, April 25.

It is impossible to forecast the final outcome of the new export subsidy proposal. The latest cable from Washington reads:

The new cotton plan is expected to meet with powerful opposition in the House of Representatives from the cotton bloc which has already formulated a counter-plan based on Secretary Wallace's Cotton utilisation theory for a wider use of cotton as to the subsidy plan announced by Senator Bankhead it is pointed out that it is not likely to reduce loan stocks unless there is a sharp rise in the cotton price.

The market opinion is sharply divided and some advise purchases and others sales.

There exists considerable uncertainty and confusion regarding cotton legislation and it is difficult to form any reliable opinion until the Bill is finally enacted.

A substantial rise in New York cotton followed active buying and covering on the reported agreement on a compromise export subsidy. Bombay sold heavily, undoing July straddles but bought well later months. In the mean time the market is rather confused regarding the proper interpretation of some of the phases of the proposed bill and is awaiting more definite action.

NEW YORK MARKET

The New York cotton market opened firm. Large Spot house shorts covered and there was new outside buying on distants. Bombay was heavy seller undoing July straddles but good buyer of distants. Realising was attracted by advance and the market quietened down and closed steady.

At the opening July was quoted 8 points up at 7.76 which was the lowest level. Later on there was active buying and prices advanced to 8.10 which was the highest level. The market closed at a net rise of 16 to 19 points. Spot cotton prices advanced 16 points at 8.99c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET.

The New Orleans cotton futures market was also firm and closed at a rise of 14 to 21 points. Spot cotton prices were raised 17 points at 8.84c. per lb.

LIVERPOOL MARKET.

The Liverpool cotton futures market opened at a decline of 23 points with July 4.16. There was general long liquidation and selling on proposals of United States export subsidy. Sharp declined attracted local support. The market was unsettled with American straddle selling with subsidy implications which met straddle profit-taking buying on narrower parity and local covering on report of strong opposition to subsidy plan. The market closed at a net declined of 10 to 12 points. Middling American Spot cotton prices declined 13 points at 4.84d. per lb.

EGYPTIAN COTTON.

Egyptian cotton market was also quiet and Giza futures closed at a decline of 10 to 11 points. Uppers futures declined 11 to 12 points. The Alexandria cotton market was weak on heavy selling and minimum prices were reached. Sakels declined 14 to 13 points and Ashmouni futures closed 23 to 28 points lower.

POLITICAL TENSION

"Continued international tension has kept demand for yarn and cloth within narrow limits again, while new difficulties have arisen because of the fall in cotton prices outside the United States as a result of President Roosevelt's statement on Tuesday about an export subsidy for American cotton, and, so far as Indian trade is concerned, because of the Legislative Assembly's adverse vote on the new trade agreement. In the circumstances it is perhaps surprising that any appreciable business has been done, but dealings have not been brought completely to a standstill.

LANCASHIRE TRADE

There has again been evidence that, if circumstances permitted confident buying, a considerable volume of business would come forward. Stocks abroad are gradually dwindling and replacement costs are low; the future course of raw cotton prices has again become difficult to gauge, but there is every reason to expect that the tendency of producers' margins will be to widen. This view is held by a good many buyers, but, at the moment, other considerations are restricting purchases to small quantities to cover immediate requirements. Singapore, South America, the Dominions, and the home trade are providing the bulk of current orders, though Indian inquiry continued to broaden until the Assembly vote, and Java is expected to return to the market when quotas for the next period have been settled.

Sales of yarns generally have been meagre, especially on the shipping side. Local users, however, have provided a few good orders for coarse twists and wefts."

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York July highest (2-51 p.m.)	8.10+20
New York July lowest (10 a.m.)	7.98+08
Liverpool July highest	4.31—08
Liverpool July lowest	4.16—23

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:

New York: Trade and spot houses bought nears absorbing Bombay and domestic liquidation.

Considerable opposition developing new proposal. Impossible forecast outcome.

Messrs. Devkaran Nanjee have received the following cables from their foreign friends:—

Liverpool: 'Washington reports Roosevelt provisionally approved subsidy about two cents applicable only 1939 crop. If passes expect further narrowing Liverpool New York. Advise purchase distants New York.'

'Reckon two cent subsidy plus continuation loan makes October worth 390. Plentiful supply cotton should increase premiums distants. Market may decline further on forced sales when worth buying long view.'

New York: 'Expect opposition Bankhead proposals. Advise caution till adoption more probable. Spot houses buying near months. Foreign buying later months believed to be part of straddle.'

Messrs Bishwambharlal Maheshwari have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:

Liverpool: Agreement reported subsidy two cents our opinion is that there is no prospect of an early improvement.

Cotton position not yet clear but think present level new crop fully discount two cent subsidy plus loan 52 per cent parity price.

New York: Cotton new crop future around 7.80 view high basis equivalent is expected 1939 loan. Sale further advance appears logical.

Consider Bankhead export subsidy bill excellent chance passage and effect bullish American prices in proportion increase export favour buying new crops.

Market influenced by attitude of the U. S. administration toward subsidy although market may go temporarily higher purchases are not advisable at this time.

Think export bounty will create competitive buying new crops forcing market over forth coming loan purchases distants here against sales yours look attractive.

Large spot houses liquidating Liverpool New York straddle differences might narrow further.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, April 24

May	8.29+16
July	8.08+18
October	7.74+19
December	7.62+17
January	7.62+17
March	7.69+18
Middling Spot	8.99+16

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, April 24.

May	8.43+14
July	8.19+17
October	7.84+21
Middling Spot	8.84+17

NEW YORK

New York, April 24

11-00 A.M. RANGES

May	8.26/8.26
July	8.03/8.03
October	7.77/7.77

NOON CALL

May	8.25
July	8.04
October	7.75

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS

New York, April 24

Day's receipts at all U S Ports	5,000 bales
Day's exports to Great Britain	1,000 bales
Day's exports to the Continent	nil.
Day's exports to China and Japan	8,000 bales

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, April 24

April	4.53—10
May	4.53—10
June	4.39—10
July	4.29—10
August	4.21—11
September	4.13—12
October	4.11—12
November	4.10—11
December	4.12—11
January	4.14—10
February	4.16—10
March	4.18—10
April	4.19—10
Middling Spot	4.84—13
	10-12 a.m. quotations
May	4.47
July	4.22

LONDON SEEDS

London, April 24

Linseed La Plata	
April sellers	11-3-9
Linseed Calcutta	
April sellers	12-6-3
Linseed Bombay	
April sellers	12-12-6
Rapeseed Toria	
April May sellers	11-12-6
Castorseed Bombay	
April May sellers	10-5-0

LONDON PRODUCE

London, April 24

Rozario Santa Fe	
April sellers	20/6
Barletta Russo	
April May sellers	23/1 1/2
South Australian	unquoted

LINSEED OILS

London, April 24

Linseed oil naked London per cwt	
May sellers	23/7 1/2
Linseed oil naked London per cwt	
July August sellers	23/7 1/2

NEW YORK COFFEE

New York, April 24

Fair rio coffee No. 7 quality	
Sellers	5 1/8

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, April 25

Yet another reported awaited the local cotton market. Yesterday there was heavy selling in new crop months while to-day it was reported that the loan cotton will be released in July. This report induced heavy selling in old crop months. Following a rise of 18 points in New York cotton futures, the local market opened to-day at Rs. 153/4 and declined to Rs. 150/4 on extensive selling. Later on there was short covering and prices rallied to Rs. 151/4. Broach A/M was fairly steady at Rs. 152/4 while new Broach A/M was quoted at Rs. 147/8. The undertone of the market was steady.

Liverpool market opened at a rise of 2 points and the local market was steady with Broach J/A, quoted at Rs. 151/8. The Liverpool market later on was one point down and the local market was quiet and closed at 5 p.m. as under:—

F G M G—	
Broach A/M 1939	Rs. 151 12 0
Broach J/A 1939	151 4 0
Broach A/M 1940	147 6 0
Fine M G—	
Oomra May 1939	139 4 0
Oomra July 1939	139 4 0
Oomra Jan 1940	133 0 0
F G M G—	
Bengal May 1939	113 4 0
Bengal July 1939	113 8 0
Bengal Jan. 1940	111 12 0

Cotton Room Rates

Bombay, April 25.

	Extra	Spr-fine	Sup	Fine	FG	Good.
M. G.—						
Bengal U.P.	...	121	118	115	112	
Punjab	...	121	118	115	112	
Rajputana	..	123	120	117	114	
Oomra No. 3	148	145	142	139	...	
C. P. No. 1	163	160	157	154	...	
C. P. No. 2	154	151	148	145	...	
Broach No. 2	...	158	156	154	152	
Punjab-Ame.	...	182	180	177	175	
Surat	...	201	193	197	195	
Rajpipla	...	198	198	194	192	
Navsari	...	210	208	206	204	

Ready Cotton Quotations

Bombay, April 25.

Bengal Superfine	120/21
Bengal Fine	116/18
Bengal F.G.	114/15
C. P. 1	155/58
C P. 2	147/48
Arvi	146/47
Amraoti	138/42
Ellichpur	145/47
Berar	141/42
Malkapur	136/38
Khandesh	120/30
Jalna/Sailu	134/35
Burwah/Sanavad	138/40
Khandwa	138/40
Mathia F.G.	110/15
Broach	156/57
Punjab 4F.	175/80
Punjab 289F.	202/05
Sindh N.T.	187/92
Ankleshwar/Jagadia	192/94
Surat	196/200
Navsari	204/07
Western Farm	167/72

Indian Cotton Figures

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY.

Since 1st September.

Bombay, April 25.

In full-pressed Bales.

	2 days	This year.	Last year.
Khandesh	100	38,278	148,203
Central India	582	209,021	39,582
Barsi and Nagar	122	72,997	136,408
Hyderabad-Gaorani		4,259	38,707
Berar	364	160,885	293,071
Central Provinces		34,947	63,703
Total Oomras	1,168	520,387	619,679
Dholera	4,946	177,390	70,330
N.-W. Provinces		2,401	2,754
Rajputana	101	57,158	14,440
Sind-Punjab	923	304,891	486,710
Broach	840	355,602	174,973
Coompta and Dharwar	353	40,402	21,925
Westerns-Northerns	1,097	32,232	13,527
Cocoanada		84	12
Tinnevelly and Cambodia		2,563	1,678
American	251	3,208	165,417
Egyptian, African and Sudan	459	229,184	338,669
Comilla, Burma and other sorts		41	1,171
Total	10,138	1,725,543	1,911,285
Arrived by road to 20th Apr 39		302,055	...

Exports From Bombay

1st Sept. to 20th April

In full-pressed Bales.

	Yester-day	This year.	Last year.
Europe		224,432	203,564
Japan and China	2,500	731,661	472,879
Coast Ports		25,755	48,345
Up-country by Rail		190,472	283,209
Afloat in harbour for Europe China and Japan		42,422	16,315
Total	2,500	1,214,742	1,001,312

American Cotton Figures

F.P. Bales.	1938-39	1937-38
Receipts to date 24-4-39	3622000	7495000
Receipts Yesterday 24-4-39	5000	13000
Exports to date 24-4-39	3099000	5215000
Stock at Ports 21-4-39	2177000	2824000
Stock at Interior Towns 21-4-39	2828000	2318000
Stock at Liverpool 21-4-39	921000	1239000
Visible Supply 21-4-39	5885000	6882000
Quantity in sight 21-4-39	8531000	12975000
Quantity out of sight 21-4-39	8281000	8974000

Egyptian Cotton

Liverpool, April 24

GIZA 2—	
Spot	6.42—13
May	6.30—11
July	6.39—10
October	6.48—10
November	6.48—10
January	6.52—10
March	6.55—10
UPPERS—	
Spot	5.49—13
May	5.36—12
July	5.39—12
October	5.43—11
November	5.41—11
January	5.43—11
March	5.45—11

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay, April 25

Yesterday London gold prices declined 1/2d. to £7-8-6. London Paris Exchange rate was 2 points down at 176.71. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.68 5/16. London silver prices advanced 1/16d. to 20 1/16d. for Spot and also forward quotation was raised 1/16d. to 19 7/8d. Offerings were small. Speculators bought and sold and the market was very steady. New York Spot silver prices were unchanged at 42 3/4 cents and Shanghai T T on London was quoted 0/8. London Bombay Spot parity was Rs. 52-13-6 and forward was Rs. 52-6-9 In the local market there was scattered business and pirces fluctuated within a narrow range The tone of the market was steady

GOLD

Ready	35 15 6
Vaishakh delivery	37 0 0
Vaishakh Tejimandi	0 1 6
Jeth delivery	37 0 3
Jeth Tejimandi	0 3 0

SILVER

Ready	52 13 6
Vaishakh delivery	52 12 0
Vaishakh Tejimandi	0 5 6
Jeth delivery	52 11 0
Jeth Tejimandi	0 11 6

LONDON SILVER

London, April 24

Spot	20 1/16
Forward	19 7/8

LONDON GOLD

London, April 24

Gold Bars Fine per oz	£7-8-6

LONDON METALS

London, April 24

Copper	£41 8 9
Lead	£14 10 0
Spelter	£13 10 0
Tin	£220 0 0

Bombay Metals

Bombay, April 25.

London Market—	
Standard copper cash (buyers)	£41-2-6
Standard copper 3 months	£41-8-9
Electrolytic copper	£48-0-0
Bombay Market.—	
Yellow metal sheets	Rs. 40-4-0
Copper sheets	Rs. 49-14-0

Tone:—Steady.

COPPER STATISTICS

Copper:—The March statistics of the Copper Institute are as follows:—

World's stock of Refined Copper:—506,391 tons (March); 493,114 tons (Feb.).

World's Consumption Refined Copper:—158,066 tons (March); 149,598 tons (Feb.).

World's Output Refined Copper:—171,343 tons (March); 162,653 tons (Feb.).

Messrs. M. and B. Stern have received the following cable:—

"Think well of copper at this level"

WEATHER OVER U. S. A. COTTON BELT

Liverpool, April 25.

Slightly warmer, Light to moderate rainfall in Central Belt and Georgia. Forecast "more rain expected".

Groundnuts Coromandel Shelled

London, April 24.

May	£10-11-0
June	£10-11-3

Groundnuts And Seeds

Bombay, April 25.

Castorseeds May—	
Opening	26 6 0
Highest	26 6 0
Lowest	26 6 0
Closing	26 6 0
Groundnuts May—	
Opening	28 1 0
Highest	28 3 0
Lowest	27 15 9
Closing	28 0 9
Cottonseeds May—	
Opening	25 2 0
Highest	25 2 0
Lowest	24 12 3
Closing	24 15 3
Castorseeds Sept.—	
Opening	27 10 3
Highest	27 10 3
Lowest	27 10 0
Closing	27 10 0
Groundnuts Sept.—	
Opening	29 3 0
Highest	29 5 9
Lowest	29 2 0
Closing	29 3 3
Groundnuts Aug.—	
Opening	25 13 0
Highest	25 13 0
Lowest	25 9 0
Closing	25 10 0

Wheat Liverpool

Liverpool, April 24.

May	53 1/4d.
May New	50 1/2d.
July	52 3/8d.
October	54 5/8d.

Wheat Chicago

Chicago, April 24.

May	dol 0.68 7/8.
July	dol 0.68.
September	dol 0.68 5/8.

Bombay Sugar

Bombay, April 25.

Ready Javas	18 8 6
Shipment May	6 15 6
Shipment June	6 11 0
Shipment July	6 9 3
Shipment August	6 8 6
Shipment September	6 3 6
Java Spot	F 6.70.

New York Sugar

New York, April 24.

July	2.01.
September	2.06.
November	2.11.
January	2.01.

LONDON SUGAR

London, April 24

May sh. 7 8 1/2d.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, April 25

3 1/2 per cent G P Notes	92/12
2 3/4 per cent 1948/52	96/8
3 per cent 1951/54 Loan	98/8
3 per cent 1941 Bonds	101/9
3 per cent 1963/65	98/6
3 1/2 per cent 1947/55	101/10
4 per cent 1940/43 Bonds	106/10
4 per cent 1960/70 Loan	108/10
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 Loan	113/12
5 per cent U P Bonds	98
5 per cent 1939/44 Loan	100/6
5 per cent 1940/43 Loan	103/12
TAX FREES	
5 per cent 1945/55	112/6
4 per cent 1953/63 Mysore	111/8
5 per cent 1955 Mysore	124
CORPORATION DEBENTURES	
4 per cent 1972 B P T	108
4 per cent 1974 M Deb	107
5 per cent 1959 M Deb	117
6 per cent M Deb 1954	128
6 per cent K P T 1956	128

Tone: Quietly steady.

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, April 25

B C RATES—

T T D D 1/5 7/8 April May

LONDON—

Bank's selling T T D D 1/5 29/32

Bank's buying T T 1/5 31/32

Bank's buying D D 1/5 31/32

Bank's buying 3 months 1/6 1/16 to Feb.

NEW YORK—

Bank's selling T T 286 7/8

Bank's buying T T 284 5/8

Bank's buying D D 283 7/8

PARIS—

Bank's selling T T 1,309

Bank's buying T T 1,327

JAPAN—

Bank's selling T T 78 1/2

Bank's buying T T 77 3/8

Bank's buying 60 days 77

AMSTERDAM—

Bank's selling D D 65 1/4

JAVA—

Bank's selling D D 65 1/8

HONGKONG—

Bank's selling D D 83 1/8

SHANGHAI—

Bank's selling D D 47

SINGAPORE—

Bank's selling D D 156 3/8

BERLIN—

Bank's selling D D 86 1/8

CROSS RATES—

Hongkong London 1/2 11/16 25th instant

Shanghai London 0/8 1/4 25th instant

Japan London 1/2 1/64 25th instant

Java London 8.79 3/8 25th instant

New York London 4.68.31 24th instant

London New York 4.68.07 24th instant

London Paris 176.71 24th instant

London Italy 89.0 24th instant

London Belgium 27.79 24th instant

London Switzerland 20.86 5/8 24th instant

London Berlin 11.67 1/2 24th instant

London Stockholm 19.42 3/8 24th instant

London Amsterdam 8.81 5/8 24th instant

Tone of Sterling Exchange: Steady

Gold £7-8-6 1/2 22nd instant

Gold £7-8-6 24th instant

Silver London Ready 20 22nd instant

Silver London Ready 20 1/16 24th instant

Silver London Forward 19 13/16 22nd instant

Silver London Forward 19 7/8 24th instant

Silver New York Ready 43 22nd instant

Silver New York Ready 43 24th instant

London discounts 3 months 1 3/8 per cent 22nd instant

London discounts 3 months 1 3/8 per cent 24th instant

London discounts 6 months 2 1/4 per cent 22nd instant

London discounts 6 months 2 1/4 per cent 24th instant

Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.

Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.

Money:—

Call 1 1/2 per cent.

3 months 1 3/4 per cent

6 months 1 1/2 per cent.

Tone: Steady.

INDIAN STERLING LOANS

London, April 24

Call Loan London	1/2
3 per cent	67 1/2
3 1/2 per cent	79 1/2
3 1/2 per cent 1954/59	97
4 per cent 1948/53	101
4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	103 3/4
4 1/2 per cent 1958/68	107 1/4
5 per cent 1942/47	105 1/4
3 per cent 1949/52	93
2 1/2 per cent British Consols	65 3/4
3 1/2 per cent War loan	93 1/2
4 per cent Funding loan 1960/90	103 1/8
Indian Iron and Steel New Ordinary	34/4 1/2 steady

BOMBAY YARN EXCHANGE

Bombay, April 25.

Yarn No. 6 1/2s.—	
April	98 0 0
June	99 0 0
August	99 0 0
10 1/2s.—	
April	108 0 0
June	106 0 0
August	108 0 0
Yarn No. 20 1/2s—	
April	142 0 0
June	142 0 0
August	142 0 0
Yarn No. 40s.—	
April	215 0 0
June	216 0 0
August	217 0 0

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, April 24

Rupee paper 3 1/2 per cent	68 1/2
Indian stock 3 per cent 1948	67 1/2
Indian stock 3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later	79 1/2
Indian stock 4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	103 3/4
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	65 5/4
Conversion loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	91 7/8
War loan 3 1/2 per cent 1952	93 1/2
Funding loan 4 per cent 1960/90	103 1/8
Victory Bonds	103 1/4
Chartered Bank of I A and China	7 1/2
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank London reg	84 (doubtful)
National Bank of India	28 3/4

Tata Steel Shares Steady

COTTON MILLS QUIET

Narrow Trading Market

BOMBAY, April 25.

Yesterday the Wall Street Market was fairly steady at the start on the belief that the tension in Europe has lessened but later on there was absence of demand and prices declined on scattered selling. U. S. Steel shares closed dol. 1/2 down at 46 1/2 while Anaconda Coppers declined 1/8 to 22 7/8. General Motors also closed 3/4 down at 40 3/8.

The local market was quiet but steady with a restricted turnover and prices fluctuated within a narrow range. There was scattered buying at the decline but on the whole the market failed to show any definite price tendency.

The present dullness is mainly due to absence of speculative business. However the present steadiness cannot be relied too much and it will be advisable to have no interest pending further developments. Dull markets often result in wide movements and several operators are found caught unaware. This has happened always in the past and will do so in future. Silent waters run deep and when one of the group of operators decide to exert influence, even small active business will be followed by active and wide price movement.

At the moment there is more disposition to await some new turn in the European political situation and even professionals do not show any interest. It is only small business of Tarawaniwala's which is mainly responsible. The market has stabilised around present prices of steel shares, and sooner or later either bulls or bears are likely to get tired.

Tata Steel Dfd. shares fluctuated between Rs. 1,165 and 1,180 and finally steadied at Rs. 1,173. Cotton Mill shares were quiet.

TEXTILE SHARES

BOMBAY, April 25

100 Ahmd. Advance	376 4
100 BOM. DYEING	743 12
100 CENTURY	197 8
100 CENTRAL INDIA XD	195 0
100 COLABA	101 0
100 Coorla	95 0
250 David	75 0
250 Dawn	310 0
1. E. D. Sassoon	0-3-3
100 Finlay	89 8
100 GOKAK	119 0
1.000 Hindustan	1.705 0
100 Indore	46 8
100 Khatau	98 0
100 KOHINOOR	206 0
250 Laxmi	460 0
250 Madras United	35 0
100 MORARJI	115 0
250 Model	39 8
50 MYSORE	82 8
200 NEW GREAT	175 0
100 Osmanshahi	40 0
100 PHOENIX	211 4
25 Sassoon Silk	68 0
1,000 Sholapur	3.200 0
50 SIMPLEX	64 4
100 SVADESHI	197 0
100 SWAN	85 0
500 Vishnu	1050 0
1.000 Westerns	860 0
BANKS	
50-100 Baroda	108 8
25-50 Central	31 14
500 Imperial	1501 4
125-500 Imp. Conty.	363 12
50-100 India	137 0
100 Reserve Bank	109 4
5 Union	5-14-0
CEMENTS	
100 Associated	118 8
INSURANCE	
100 Empire	635 0
15-100 Jupiter	12 0
20 Mercantile	53 8
15-75 New India	33 9
200 Oriental	4225 0
10-50 Vulcan	7 1
ELECTRIC	
100 Ah. Old	137 8
1,000 ANDHRA VALLEY	1,355 0
10 Ajmer	11 4
50 Bombay Tram	126 12
100 Bombay Suburban	141 4
10 Broach	10 6
100 Karachi	191 4
100 Poona	181 4
100 Surat	147 0
100 TATA HYDRO	144 8
1,000 TATA POWERS	1,210 0
RAILWAYS	
500 Ahmedabad Prantij	958 12
100 C. Province	100 8
100 Dh. Baramati	101 8
100 Guiarat	96 8
100 Mandra Bhon	101 0
100 Pachora Jamner	87 0
100 Sara Serajganj	100 8

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Bombay, April 25

Bombay Dyeing (747/8)	743 745 743
Century (199)	199 197 196 197/8
Central India (196)	196 197 195
Kohinoor (207/8)	206 205 206
New Great (177)	177 175
Simplex (65)	65/8 64/8
Swadeshi (196)	198 197
Associated Cement (118/8)	118/4 118/12 118/8
Andhra (1355)	1355
Tram Ord (126/12)	126/12
Tata Hydro (144/8)	144/8
Tata Power (1212/8)	1212 1210
T Steel Defd (1170)	1167 1165 1180 1177 1189 1175 1176 1173
T Steel Ord (254/8)	254 253 256 254 255
Tata Steel 2nd Pref (154/4)	155/4 155
Bellapur (173)	173 174 172/8
B Steam (209)	209 208
B Burma (424)	422 424 423

500 Tapti Valley	751 4
MININGS	
9 Burma Corp.	5 9
2sh. Indian Copper	1 15
10 Indian Iron & Steel	23 10
10 Shivrajpur	31 12
30 TATA STEEL DEFDS.	1,173-12
75 TATA STEEL ORD.	255 0
MISCELLANEOUS	
100 ALCOCK	318 8
10 Air Services	7 8
50 BELAPUR SUGAR	172 8
200 Bombay Safe Dep.	793 0
250 BOMBAY STEAM	209 0
125 B. BURMA	423 0
50 B. BURMA CONTY.	146 4
8sh. Br. Petrol	3-1-6
50 BOMBAY TELEPHONE	79 4
100 IND. BLEACHING	93 0
50 Ind. Invest Trust	41 8
100 I. Radio Defd.	301 4
100 I. Radio Ord.	307 8
100 Port Canning	68 4
30 Premier Con.	58 12
10 Scindia	16 11
25 Tata Oil Mill (nil)	34 12
PREFERENCE	
5-1/2 Amalgamated (T.F.)	106 0
7 p. c. Andhra Valley	1,415 0
6 p.c Bombay Steam	285 0
7 p.c. Bombay Tram (T. F.)	75 8
5 p.c. Central India (T.F.) XD	550 0
6-1/4 p.c Prem. Const. 1st	104 0
6-1/4 p.c. Prem. Const 2nd	96 4
7 p.c. Tata Hydro.	144 1
7½ p. c. Tata Power	1515 0
6 p.c. Tata Steel 1st	205 0
7½ p.c. Tata Steel second	155 0
7 p.c Vishnu	717 8
DEBENTURES	
3-3/4 p.c. Andhra Valley	101 12
6 p.c. Andhra Valley	105 10
7 p.c. Bombay Telephone	50 4
7 p.c. Sholapur	80 0
6 p.c. Tata Hydro	105 4

(Capital Letters indicate Shares on Forward List).

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, April 24

Broach A/M opening 155 7/8 highest 155 7/8 lowest 152 1/4 closing 153 3/8

Broach J/A opening 155 3/4 highest 156 1/8 lowest 151 7/8 closing 153

New Broach A/M 1940 opening 149 3/4 highest 150 lowest 146 1/2 closing 147 3/4

Oomra May opening 143 1/4 highest 143 1/4 lowest 140 closing 140 3/4

Oomra July opening 143 1/4 highest 143 1/4 lowest 140 closing 140 3/4

Oomra D/J opening 135 1/4 highest 135 1/4 lowest 132 3/4 closing 133 1/4

Bengal May opening 116 highest 116 lowest 113 closing 113 3/4

Bengal July opening 116 1/4 highest 116 1/4 lowest 113 1/4 closing 114

Bengal D/J opening 115 highest 115 lowest 111 closing 112

Night session: Broach J/A opening 153 1/8 highest 153 3/4 lowest 152 3/4 closing 153 3/8 Broach A/M 1940 closing 148 5/8

Alexandria Market

Alexandria, April 24

SAKELS—	
May	11.18—14
July	11.34—14
November	11.85—13
ASHMOUNI—	
June	9.19—24
August	9.23—23
October	9.07—27
December	9.07—28
February	9.15—28
GIZA—	
May	10.80—31
July	10.98—29
November	11.12—32
January	11.17—35

COTTON STRADDLES

APPROXIMATE DIFFERENCES

Broach A/M New York May Rs. 43.

Liverpool May Rs. 42 1/2.

Broach J/A New York July Rs. 38 1/2

Liverpool July Rs. 33

New York Liverpool: May 56 July 34

October 26 December 40 January 44

Produce Receipts

Bombay, April 25.

Wheat	5,345 cwts.
Linseed	14,213 cwts.
Rape, Rai and Mustardseeds	68 cwts.
Poppyseed	18 cwts.
Groundnuts	7,678 cwts.
Castorseed	92 cwts.
Rice	20,269 cwts.
Myrabollams	898 cwts.
Cottonseed	8,804 cwts.
Gram	2,419 cwts.
Joowar	400 cwts.
Maize	60 cwts.
Barley	67 cwts.
Bajree	172 cwts.

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, April 24

T T London on:—	
New York	4.68.07
Paris	176.71
Berlin	11.67 1/2
Madrid	42.25
Montreal	4.70 1/8
Amsterdam	8.81 5/8
Brussels	27.79
Milan	89.00
Berne	20.86 5/8

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BOMBAY: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 1939

One More Chance For Thakore Saheb

Mahatma's Terms For Rajkot Settlement

PEACE OR WAR: CHOICE BEFORE RULER

Question To Be Taken Up After Gandhiji's Return

(From Our Correspondent)
AHMEDABAD, April 25.

About 10,000 men and women gathered last night on the platform to have 'Darshan' of Mahatmaji when the Kathiawar Mail steamed in. The Mail was late due to its being delayed at every station by huge crowds which had gathered to have a glimpse of the great leader of the people.

ALL-INDIA ISSUE

It is realiably understood that Gandhiji will return to Rajkot on 7th May and then he will give one more opportunity to the Thakore Saheb to consider the case of the Parishad and to enforce the formation of the Reforms Committee within a limited time. Failing in this it is understood Gandhiji will take a grave decision which will challenge the Thakore Saheb to face a major struggle on an All-India basis or to invite greater unrest in Rajkot.

MAHATMA'S PLAN

After arriving again in Rajkot Gandhiji will write another letter to the Thakore Saheb and to Mr. Gibson asking them to carry out the provisions of the Thakore Saheb's Notification of 26th December.

It is certain Gandhiji will review the whole situation in Rajkot before A. I. C. C. and discuss the problem afresh with Mr. Subhas Bose, Pt. Jawaharlal and Sardar Patel.

Gandhiji In Bombay

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

With a tired look on his face, Mahatma Gandhi alighted from the train at the Bombay Central, on his arrival from Rajkot by the Kathiawar Mail this morning.

A large number of citizens who had gathered at Dadar station from early hours of the morning, expecting that Gandhiji would get down at Dadar, as on previous occasions, were disappointed.

Some of them, however, boarded the train in their eagerness to have the Mahatma's "darshan" and travelled as far as the Central station.

Mahatma Gandhi was accompanied by his Secretary, Mr. Pyarelal. They were joined at Dadar by Mr. Mathradas Tricumji and Mr. Dahyabhai Patel

Among those present at the Central station to receive Mahatma Gandhi were Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Munshi, Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, Mr. Nagindas Master, Mr. Bhawanji A. Khimji, Mr. S. K. Patil, Mr. Gunvant Kapadia and Mr. Sunderdas Morarji.

Gandhiji drove to the residence of Mr. Birla at Juhu. He will be leaving for Calcutta this evening by mail.

Though the future programme of Mahatma Gandhi is not known at this stage, it is expected that he will go back to Rajkot about the 10th of May, after his visit to Brindaban.

GANDHIJI TAKES ONLY FRUIT DIET

BOMBAY, April 25.

Mahatma Gandhi was examined by Dr. Gilder immediately after his arrival in Bombay. Mahatma Gandhi is still weak and has a very bad cold. In order to prevent fever he is taking only fruit diet.—A. P.

Sardar Not To Attend A. I. C. C.

Result Of Talks With Gandhiji: Mahatma's Statement

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel has decided not to attend the forthcoming meeting of the All-India Congress Committee at Calcutta. This decision is the result of discussions between Mahatma Gandhi and Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.

Mahatma Gandhi has issued the following statement on Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's decision not to attend the Calcutta meeting of the All-India Congress.

Committee:

"After full discussion between Sardar and myself, we both came to the conclusion that the best interests of the country will be served by the Sardar absenting himself from Calcutta.

It is hardly necessary for me to go into the reasons that actuated the decision. I may, however, state that the Sardar had arrived at the opinion independently of me. I came to the definite conclusion only yesterday. Let no one be deterred by the Sardar's decision from proceeding to Calcutta. The special reason that has determined the Sardar's action, cannot, so far as I know, apply to any other case."—A.P.

WARDHA SCHEME

Teachers' Training College At Surat

SURAT, April 25.

It is understood that the Bombay Government are contemplating to open the Teachers' Training College for Wardha Education, which was originally proposed to be started in the premises of the local Government High School, at Katargam, a few miles away from here. The Special Officer for Basic Education, Mr. L. R. Desai, has arrived here in this connection.—United Press

APPEAL TO VICEROY TO INTERVENE

Madhe Sahaba And Tabarra Agitation Sequel

LUCKNOW, April 25.

The Police arrested to-day three ring leaders, who are alleged to have organised yesterday's demonstrations, and seven others for hooliganism.

It is understood that Begam Gauharara, daughter of the last King of Oudh, has sent a memorandum to H. E. the Viceroy yesterday expressing the Shia viewpoint in connection with the Madhe Sahaba and Tabarra agitations and seeking His Excellency's intervention.—United Press

GANDHIJI ALIGHTING FROM TRAIN AT CENTRAL STATION ON TUESDAY MORNING.

PLACE FOR EXILES

Cutch Praja Parishad Committee's Efforts

(From Our Correspondent.)
CUTCH, April 25.

The Praja Parishad Enquiry Committee consisting of Nagarsheth Sakarchandbhai Jamiyatray Vakil and Rasiklal Joshi in connection with the recent panther shot by a public individual and the alleged threatenings by police near Deshalpur, in Kanthi, received statements from the concerned Bhayats and villagers and found illegal obstacles thrown by the police.

Enquiry Committee further studied the situation for ploughing plots to accommodate Kisans of Roha estate from village Sayra, who sequel to alleged oppression, decided an "Hijrat" and the Committee found suitable and ample plots to accommodate hundreds of Kisan families.

The Committee toured and discussed the present situation with prominent leaders in Bhujpur, Deshalpur and Bidada villages and addressed mass meetings at Deshalpur, Bidada and Mundra.

Satyagrahi Jatha For Bharatpur State

(From Our Correspondent).
ACHHNERA: (By Mail).

After the reply received to the ultimatum sent by the President of the Bharatpur Raj Praja Mandal, the first Satyagrahi Jatha was sent to Bharatpur, led by Baba Dudhahari and was accorded a warm reception at Bharatpur Railway Station, by the public of the State. The Jatha were not arrested. In the evening they were taken in a procession through the principal parts of the city which terminated into a public meeting at Shyam Ghat. Several speakers addressed the large gathering stating that the object of the Satyagraha was to establish the same Sashan Samiti in the State which was introduced by the late Maharaja Kishan Singh and which was stopped by the Government afterwards.

The Praja Mandal is now considering the next step of Satyagraha. It is also understood that the State authorities called a meeting of the State Police officials and discussed certain things regarding their policy towards the Satyagrahis.

RECOGNITION OF B. N. RLY. UNION

Agreement Between Kalappa And Company Agent

CALCUTTA, April 25.

Consequent on the conclusion of negotiations yesterday over the question of recognition of the Bengal Nagpur Railway Indian Labour Union, letters were exchanged to-day between Mr. A. Duncan, Agent and General Manager of the B. N. Railway, and Mr. V. R. Kalappa, President of the Union, signifying their mutual assent to the final terms.

The main features of the terms of recognition are:—

Representation of individual cases—a right which figured in the strike notice of the Union in 1936;

Establishment of a Standing Conciliation Board consisting of railway officers, and representatives of the Union to dispose of cases concerning the workshop of Kharagpur; and

Detailed procedure in regard to representation of the cases arecting a class or group in the open line.

The recognition will take effect from May 1, 1939, and will automatically be confirmed on submission of a certified list of members for the year ending March 31, 1939 and other documents in pursuance of the terms agreed upon. —United Press.

Those Fifteen Tortuous Days

GANDHIJI'S EXPERIENCES IN RAJKOT

In his statement issued from the train at Ahmedabad on his efforts to solve the Rajkot tangle Mahatma Gandhi says:—

The agonising experience of the fifteen days have resulted in my making the discovery that my 'Ahimsa' should be voted down as failure if the Thakore Saheb and Darbar Shri Virawala were to feel that they had to give anything under pressure from above. My 'Ahimsa' demanded that I should remove that feeling. And so when the opportunity came to me I tried to assure Durbar Shri Virawala that I took no delight in invoking the assistance of the Paramount Power. Apart from 'Ahimsa' my connection with Rajkot should impose that restraint on me. I assured him that my spontaneous offer to Mr. Gibson was an effort in that direction. He immediately retorted: "But if you are not satisfied with his Committee's report you claim the right to scrutinise the report in the light of the Notification, and if the Parishad dissents, you want to have the report and the dissent to be examined by the Hon. the Chief Justice of India. Do you call this removing the feeling of pressure? Why not trust His Highness and his adviser through and through? You may not get all you want, but whatever you get will be charged with his goodwill and will carry a promise of full delivery.

Do you know what the Parishad people have said about the Thakore Saheb and me? Is that the way of people desiring reforms from their Prince?"

There was bitterness in his speech and contempt for the Parishad people. But with the dawn of my imperfect handling of "Ahimsa" instead of parrying the blow, I recognised the force of his argument as showing want of faith in the essential goodness of human nature and in the littleness of my own belief in "Ahimsa". And so our conversation went on and covered many proposals. But it was inconclusive. I was no nearer to a solution of the tangle. Nevertheless, I parted with the feeling that we had come to know each other better and that in trying to woo Durbar Shri Virawala I was on the right track.

WANT TO CONVERT HIM

And so I presented this new line of approach to the co-workers. They had more than once told me that Durbar Shri Virawala was the source of all the evil that had descended upon Rajkot, and that his removal would mean for them full Swaraj. I had no difficulty in showing them that what they were thinking of was good Government and not Self-Government. At this meeting which only took place yesterday I told them that if they accepted my explanation of 'Ahimsa' they would have to set their heart not on getting rid of Durbar Shri Virawala but in converting him. This they could do only if they would set about finding his good points and working at them. They must develop infinite faith in the capacity of 'Ahimsa' to neutralise every person of 'Himsa.' True 'Ahimsa' lay in running into the mouth of 'Himsa'. If cows could be credited with intelligence, it is conceivable that given a sufficient number of such cows, who would run into the tiger's mouth, the latter would lose relish for cow flesh and change his nature. They must, therefore, shed their fear of Durbar Shri Virawala and their disbelief in the power of 'Ahimsa' to achieve this seemingly impossible.

I HAVE LEFT EMPTY-HANDED.

They listened to this (to them) new doctrine with attention. I did not ask them whether they were convinced. I hope they were. They would quite legitimately have asked me: "Are you yourself so convinced of the correctness of this extraordinary attitude you have commended to us so as to tear the award to pieces and simply rely upon the goodness of Durbar Shri Virawala's heart?" If they had asked this question I would have been obliged to say, I have not yet found the requisite courage. "Ahimsa" accrues only to the courageous. And so I have left empty-handed, with the body shattered, hope cremated. Rajkot has been to me a priceless laboratory. My patience has been sorely tried by the tortuous politics of Kathiawar. I have asked the workers to confer with Durbar Shri Virawala, to forget me and Sardar Patel, and if they get enough to satisfy their least wants they may accept the offer without references to either of us. I have told Durbar Virawala: "I am defeated. May you win. Placate the people by giving as much as possible and wire to me so as to revive the hope which I seem to have lost for the moment."—A P.

PARISHAD NOMINEES SUMMONED

Credentials To Serve On Committee

RAJKOT, April 25.

The State authorities this morning summoned all the six nominees of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel on the Reforms Committee, who were rejected by the Thakore Saheb, and Mr. U. N. Dhebar, Leader of the State Peoples' Movement, asking them to submit statements showing reasons for their eligibility to serve on the Reforms Committee. The authorities will examine them and clear any doubts as to their eligibility.

The statements will be submitted immediately.—United Press.

Baroda Cottage Industries Exhibition

(From Our Correspondent.)
BARODA, April 25.

Shrimant Pratapsingh Gaekwad opened the Cottage Industries Exhibition at 9 a.m. and took a round of the Exhibition. He appreciated very much the work of Dayalbag (Agra) Deaf and Dumb Boys' Institution's work and different types of work of Kosanba Centre (Village Uplift) work figure prominently.

It was stated that 40 types of cottage industries were improved by Dimond Jubilee Cottage Industry Institution.

CASE OF INDIANS IN KENYA

BOMBAY, April 25.

The Hon. Mr. J. B. Pandya of Kenya is leaving for Calcutta tonight to place the case of Indians in Kenya before the A. I. C. C.—A. P.

CHARLIE CHAN MESSAGE IS LOST

IN THE DARK ROOM SOMEONE GRABS THE MESSAGE WHICH CHARLIE CHAN HAS JUST RECEIVED...
THE DETECTIVE ANNOUNCES THAT HIS PLAN HAS SUCCEEDED...
Alfred Andriola
1-16
CHARLIE! YOU'VE DISCOVERED SOMETHING?
MANY THINGS BEGIN TO CLEAR, BUT FOR PRESENT MUST RETAIN INFORMATION FOR MYSELF! GOOD-NIGHT!
BUT THE PERSON WHO STRUCK YOU MUST HAVE THE MESSAGE! AREN'T YOU GOING TO SEARCH, INSPECTOR?
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SEARCH OCCURS TO ME ALSO! BUT WE DEAL WITH CLEVER PERSON! WOULD NOT PUT MESSAGE IN POCKET WHERE IT CAN BE FOUND!
BUT IT MUST BE IN THIS ROOM! PERHAPS IT WAS IMPORTANT!
NO-NOT IMPORTANT! BLANK PIECE OF PAPER CAN MEAN NOTHING TO NO ONE!

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